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## NANKING FALLS TO REDS

### A "FREE CHINA" GOVT WILL ARISE---HU SHIH

San Francisco, April 22. Dr. Hu Shih, former Chinese Ambassador to the United States, said today that a "Free China" government will arise from the present Communist-Nationalist conflict and added that American aid will come to this government "at a time when it proved itself capable of effectively resisting the spread of Communist tyranny."

The titular Chancellor of the Communist-occupied National Peking University, who is here in a private capacity, declared that the present Nationalist leaders enjoy the loyal support of the Chinese and will probably continue in power.

He added, "I do not believe that the Generalissimo will come out of retirement."

Speaking of American aid, Dr. Hu said he knew from personal experience that Mr. Dean Acheson's sympathies are for China. He added that a Republican or Democrat will gladly give aid to a Free China government when that government deserves it.

He said the present government can hold its own against the Communists who are having serious difficulties in maintaining the industrial cities of North China. The Nationalist government has plenty of strength left if it can be wisely mobilized and directed, he asserted.

Dr. Hu will leave on Tuesday for Eastern United States.—United Press.

### Shanghai Americans Urged To Leave

Shanghai, April 23. The American Consul-General in Shanghai, Mr. John Cabot, today warned American nationals to evacuate the city unless they had compelling reasons for remaining.

Mr. Cabot cited the Commander of the Shanghai Garrison's notice that Shanghai would be defended come what may, and his advice that foreign women and children should be removed to safer areas.

Mr. Cabot also warned that the recent incidents on the Yangtze river clearly showed that the Americans remaining in Shanghai could not count on safety through an emergency evacuation if the situation should become too hazardous.

The British Consul-General Mr. R. W. Urquhart, broadcasting tonight, said that the British authorities did not intend to issue a notice similar to that of the Americans.

Mr. Urquhart said that he made the statement following consultation with the British Emergency Planners' Committee in Shanghai and after consulting Admiral A. C. G. Madden second in command of the Far Eastern Station.

Mr. Urquhart said that the British, with great labour and considerable expense had prepared a concentration and evacuation plan, and they thought that it is a good plan.

He said, "It is possible that the sort of situation is now developing for which our plan was prepared. We think we have everything under control for the moment. We are following the situation closely and if desirable, a further announcement will be made soon."—Reuter.

### What's Your Guess?

London, April 23. Communist troops entered Nanking early today.—Reuter.

Nanking, April 23. Communist troops today crossed the Yangtze from Pukow and reached the very walls of this tottering capital.

They landed in the vicinity of the Nanking railroad station, immediately outside the high stone walls of Nanking.

The Communists were expected to enter the city gates at any time.—Associated Press, Shanghai, April 23.

A United Press radio report from Nanking at 2 p.m. today said there were no Communist troops in uniform to be seen in the city up to that time.—United Press.

### A Bouquet For Colony From American Visitor

Trading and living conditions in Hong Kong are brighter and more stabilised than those in the Netherlands East Indies, Malaya, Siam and Indochina.

This is according to Mr. E. C. Geeslin, Far Eastern Representative of Mars (Chicago) Incorporated.

Mr. Geeslin passed through the Colony yesterday on his way back to Manila where his headquarters is established. He has been on holiday-business trip in South East Asia.

American merchants in Hong Kong are comparatively better off than their counterparts in Batavia, Singapore, Bangkok and Saigon, he said.

He said that whereas American products move freely into Hong Kong, import restrictions are imposed on American goods in the countries he had just visited. American business there is in fact dead, he added.

He said that it is also impossible to import American goods into Singapore by re-shipments from Hong Kong.

Mr. Geeslin, whose company manufactures the Milky Way brand chocolate bars in the United States, said that hard candies manufactured in Hong Kong enjoy a good market in Singapore.

### Formal Entry Expected Early This Morning NEXT TARGET--SHANGHAI

Shanghai, April 23.

Communist underground leaders took over abandoned Nanking today and announced that their troops on the North bank of the Yangtze would cross the river and enter the former Nationalist capital in force at 7 a.m. Sunday.

Other Communist columns already are driving headlong for Shanghai from their Yangtze bridgeheads, and Government garrisons are fleeing in their path. All cities North of Shanghai have been abandoned by the Nationalists, according to reports here.

Telephone messages from Nanking said wild mobs began looting the city's business district at dawn today, after Nationalist troops and police fled. The mobs did not attack the foreign section or the residential area.

Acting President Li Tsung-jen flew to Shanghai at dawn today in the last plane to leave Nanking. During the day he continued Southward to Kweilin, principal city in his own stronghold of Kwangsi, and may arrive at Canton later to re-establish his government.

Martial law was declared in Shanghai and the military command announced that looters would be shot on sight. Seven hundred Marines of the Third U.S. Marine Division, garrisoned on a ship in the harbour, were alerted for riot duty.

The Nationalist commanders announced that Shanghai, known as the "Pearl of the Orient" and the seventh city of the world, would be defended against a victorious Communist onslaught.

All major garrison cities North of Shanghai, including Wushih, 70 miles North West, and Soochow, 50 miles to the North, have been abandoned by Government troops. Looting was reported to have broken out in Soochow.

### Chiang Still In Hangchow

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek remained in Hangchow, 125 miles to the South West of Shanghai, apparently to plan his own retreat to South China. An informant said he may go to Canton or Amoy.

The final telephone and telegraph reports from Nanking said the Nationalist capital's business district was turned into a shambles by rioting mobs after the Government forces pulled out last night.

The Communists concentrated their main forces along the river-

front where they set up their own semi-military control to facilitate the crossing of Communist troops into Nanking. Other small groups of the underground moved through the business district, trying to quiet the looting mobs who were rampant in stores and Government buildings.

The message that Communist troops would begin crossing the river to occupy Nanking at 7 a.m. tomorrow was brought by political messengers, who began arriving in Nanking from the North bank at noon. The mess-

### PRESIDENT LI IN KWEILIN

Canton, April 23. Acting President Li Tsung-jen today arrived in Kweilin, principal city in Kwangsi province, around noon, according to government sources here.—United Press.

sengers fanned out to notify the offices of the Central Bank of China and other government organizations that Communist administration would take over control starting tomorrow.

### City Evacuated At 4 a.m.

The last troops and police were evacuated from Nanking at 4 a.m., and Acting President Li accompanied by Premier Ho Ying-chin left at dawn for Shanghai. The looting broke out at dawn.

Hungry mobs sacked shops, stores and godowns searching for flour and rice at first. They wrecked the Presidential offices and then surged to President Li's residence. They smashed through the gate, broke into the house and began tossing furniture through the windows and carrying off anything moveable.

The mob turned Nanking's main business streets into a shambles of broken glass and debris, as grinning and yelling looters with their arms loaded with all manner of goods jammed the streets from curb to curb.

None of the foreign diplomatic missions, including the American Embassy, made any move toward evacuating Nanking as the capital changed hands. The American mission painted brightly coloured signs of their country on the walls surrounding their buildings and

flew their national colours from the flagstaff. The looting mobs respected the flags and moved on past the foreign diplomatic buildings to ransack the offices of their own government. No fires were set, however, according to last reports which were received at noon.

### Citizen's Committee

Negotiations for turning the city of Nanking over to the Communists already were reported under way. General Ma Chin-yuan, Chairman of the Nanking Emergency Peace Preservation Committee, had said earlier he had made contact with the Reds for this purpose.

The 60-year-old former Nationalist divisional commander said it was not yet known just how soon the Communists would enter the city. The Peace Preservation Committee met this afternoon to map out its plan both for dealing with the Communists and the organisation of temporary security forces to put down rioting and looting now under way in many sections of the city.

Nanking's airfields are still operating and a few foreigners are being airlifted out with Chinese officials. But an overwhelming majority of foreigners are sticking it with good humour and courage and without any kind of panic.

The embassies are calmly waiting for the Communist takeover and there is no indication as yet that the chiefs of the missions will be ordered out of the city by their respective airlines, CNAC and CACTC. Late this afternoon completed the evacuation of their ground personnel stationed here and a large part of their portable equipment.

### Shanghai Next

After Nanking, the battle for Shanghai may soon begin. Preparations for Shanghai's defence against the rapidly advancing Communists went into top gear today as the garrison commander, General Chen Tai-chin, announced that Shanghai would be "defended come what may."

It was officially announced that a decision was reached at a Hangchow meeting of Chiang Kai-shek, General Ho Ying-chin and Acting President Li Tsung-jen to continue war to "safeguard the people's freedom and independence."

They also decided that Premier Ho Ying-chin would personally take over the Ministry of National Defence in order to "safeguard the country."

Press and Associated Press.

### AMETHYST SURVIVORS



Clad in Chinese military uniforms, supplied by the Chinese army units on the South bank of the Yangtze, British survivors from HMS Amethyst, shelled by Communist artillery, arrive in Shanghai.

### Flag At Half-Mast



HMS Consort, shelled by Communist artillery from the North Bank of the Yangtze, when she attempted to reach Amethyst, arrived at Shanghai with holes in her hull. Her flag is flown at half-mast for the casualties suffered as a result of the shelling. One shell hit her bow (shown by arrow).

### VICTIMS OF SHELLING BURIED IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, April 23. Men and women were among the large foreign gathering which wept unashamedly as the 23 British naval officers and men killed in the Yangtze encounters with the Communists were buried this morning at the International Cemetery in Shanghai.

As the ceremony was in progress, a Royal Air Force Sunderland dived overhead on a flight to examine the plight of stricken and trapped Amethyst, which was very likely to fall into the hands of the Communists.

Those buried comprised 12 men from the cruiser London, 10 from Consort and one from Amethyst. The mourners included British, Chinese and foreign diplomats and Service chiefs. The rites were in accordance with the Anglican and Catholic Churches.

The Australian sloop, Shoal Haven, provided a firing party, while a Marine band from London led a procession to the graveside. The escort and mourning parties were drawn from the shipmates of the victims on board London, Consort and Amethyst.

The names of the British naval dead who were buried today were as follows: HMS London: Sidney O. Jones, aged 78, Lawrence H.V. Jarvis, 21, Edgar G.W. Harrison, 20, John C. Lane, 20, Stanley A. Walsingham, 21, Patrick J. Stevens, 33, Arthur W. Elwood, 23, William J. Pullin, 25, James H. Arkell, 31, and B. Roper 27. HMS Consort: Albert Morton, John Cecil Akhurst, Maurice James Currie, Denis Broadhead, Raymond Clifford, John Tobin, William Moir, Sidney Jenkinson, Christopher Button and Charles Victor Theay.

HMS Amethyst: Winter (survived only). The shell-battered British sloop, Amethyst, buried 17 dead at sea today and rescued another four miles up the Yangtze river toward Nanking under a rain of Communist artillery fire.

The wounded on Amethyst arrived in Shanghai by train today, bringing along two dead. Seventeen women and one Chinese river pilot were removed from the

### Amethyst's C.O. Killed

London, April 23. The Admiralty announced today that the Commanding Officer of Amethyst, Lieutenant Commander B. M. Skinner, was among the 15 men and two officers killed when Chinese Communists shelled the British warship in the Yangtze River. Commander Skinner died of wounds on Friday.

The Admiralty stated nine as seriously wounded, of whom four have been evacuated to Chinkiang Hospital and five still trapped aboard the ship.—United Press.

### UN INQUIRY INTO CARDINAL CASE REJECTED

Lake Success, April 23. The United Nations has turned down demands for a UN inquiry into the trial of Hungarian Cardinal Mindszenty and Bulgarian Protestant churchmen.

Instead, a big majority in the UN Assembly's 50-nation special political committee gave its blessing to efforts of the United States, Britain and other peace treaty signers to settle the dispute by direct contact with the two Soviet satellites. The Soviet Union and her five Communist neighbours in the UN voted "no."

America and Britain already have accused the Eastern European countries of violating peace treaty guarantees of human rights by prosecuting churchmen. This is the first step under peace treaty machinery to force the speedy issue outside the UN.—Associated Press.

### Philippine Casualties

Manila, April 23. An official report of the Philippine Constabulary today said 1,187 dissidents were killed and 436 captured in 37 clashes with the Constabulary in the past seven months.

The report made by Brigadier General Alberto Ramos, chief of the Constabulary, to President Quirino, covered the period between August 15, 1948 and March 30, 1949.

It was during this period that the Government made a sustained drive against the Communist-Hukbalahap people's army. Ramos said Constabulary casualties were 25 officers and men killed and 135 wounded in action.—Associated Press.

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### The Weather

At 600 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) from a deep depression over Manchuria a trough stretches Southwards across the Yellow and Eastern Seas to Formosa and thence across B. China to the low pressure area of this trough a ridge of high pressure from the Pacific anti-cyclone extends Westwards across the Northern Philippines to Hainan. An anti-cyclone covers N. China.

Today's Forecast—Light variable mainly W or NW winds. Fair or fine with morning mist. Continuing warm.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum: 82.9 deg. Fah. Minimum: 70.5 deg. Fah. Rainfall: 11.6 hours.

24-hr. mm.—5.5. Ins. at against an average of 12.2 mm.—0.08 ins.

Readings at 10 a.m. on 24th April.

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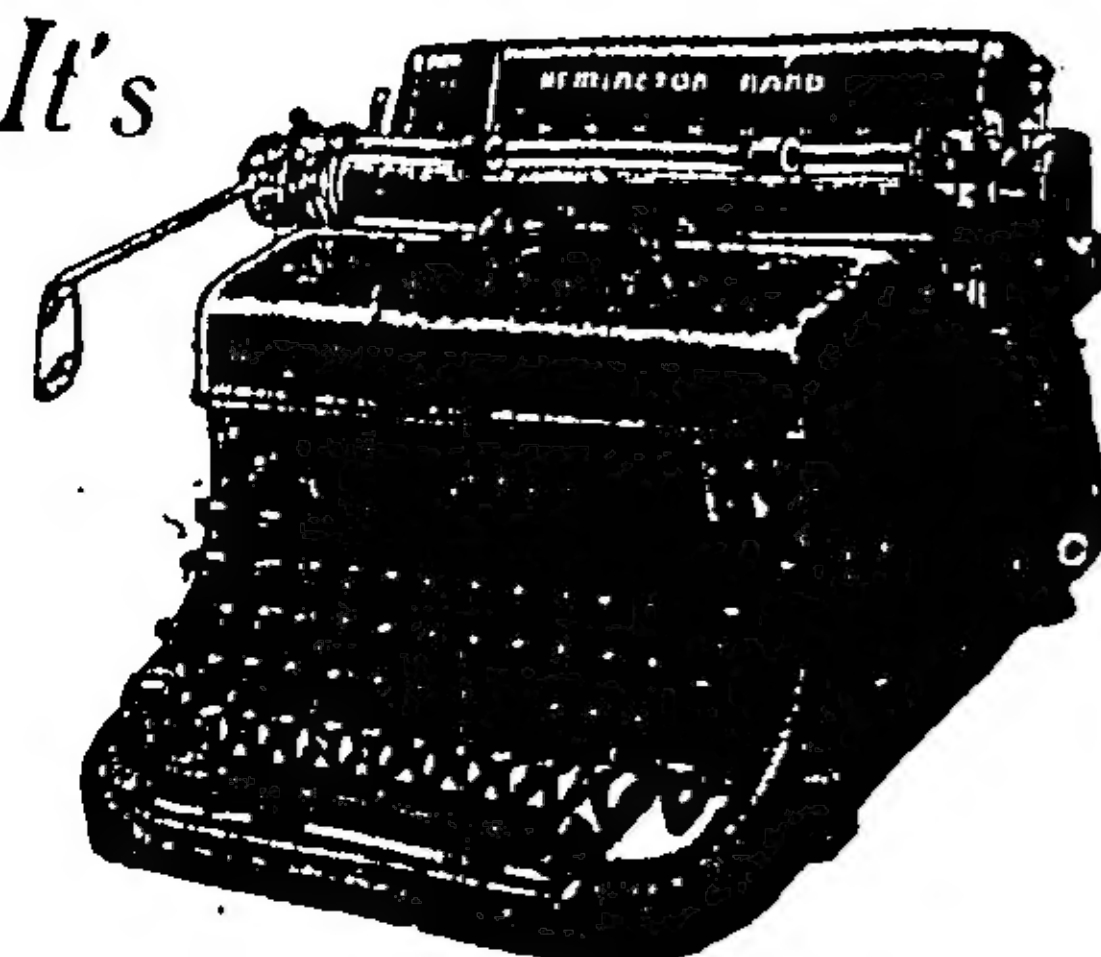
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## In Memory Of War Dead



A wreath in memory of the war dead was placed at the Cenotaph yesterday—St. George's Day—by Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell and Mr. V. L. Labrum, President and Vice-President, respectively, of the Hong Kong Society of St. George. Others present included Messrs. J. C. Meyer, H. B. L. Dowling, M. W. Turner, C. Baker, H. G. W. Woodhead, S. Mason, V. L. Sargent, Sir Leslie and Lady Clouston, and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hart. ("China Mail" Photo).

### LECTURES ON BETTER HOMES

A popular series of lectures was given last year at the YWCA, 14 Duddell Street, under the auspices of the flower arranging committee. These were enjoyed so much that the committee have arranged another series of talks this year entitled "Better Homes." Chairman of this committee will be Mrs. Halsey Wilbur. The first talk will be given at the YWCA on Wednesday next.

Mrs. Alan Laidlaw, who won the flower arranging competition last year, will open the series, which should be of great interest to all lovers of better "home-making."

Details of the series are given below.

Come and learn new tricks of flower arranging, hot weather cooking, salads, party sweets, and interior decorating.

April 27, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. Alan Laidlaw. "Flower Arrangements."

May 4, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. Shagah Norman. "Hot Weather Cooking."

May 11, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. James Muckle. "Favourite Kitchen Dishes."

May 18, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. Arthur A. Chase. "Salads and Cold Sweets."

May 25, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. H. H. Furling. "Decorating the Cook's Day of Tricks."

June 1, Wednesday, 3 p.m.: Mrs. W. G. Robertson. "Interior Decoration."

Tickets are now available at the YWCA at \$10 for the series, or at the door, \$2 for each demonstration. Proceeds to go to the YWCA.

### SIX CHARGED AT KOWLOON

Six persons, including three women, were charged at Kowloon yesterday with a breach of the entertainment tax regulations.

They were fined \$40 each by Mr. J. Wick.

Lau Fong was arrested on Friday at the Kwong Chih Theatre and the others the same day at the Kwong Ming Theatre.

## ANZAC DAY WILL BE OBSERVED TODAY

Anzac Day will be commemorated in Hong Kong today by the Australian and New Zealand communities with memorial services to the men who died fighting during the landing at Gallipoli.

Wreaths will be placed at the foot of the Cenotaph at 10 a.m. The Memorial Service there will be conducted by the Reverend Mr. Hatt-Lipcombe and the Right Reverend Mr. A. Ferrell.

The service will be followed by the usual two-minute silence in memory of the fallen in the two world wars.

On April 25, 1915, the quiet of dawn pervaded the beaches of Gallipoli. Off shore British warships, dimly seen through the ground mist, edged gently towards the shore. A rattle, a splash—and an inferno broke loose.

The Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, fresh from training in Egypt and under the command of General W. R. Birdwood, had begun their landing under the fire of the Turks, who were well-entrenched on the high ground overlooking the beaches. Thus Anzac Day was born.

It was a bitter travail for the men who took part in it; men by men they fought their way through a hail of bullets until at last they established a beach-head. Eight bitter months later, after sustaining many heavy casualties, they were withdrawn. The Gallipoli landing had failed to achieve its object, but its memory is kept alive in the hearts of the Australian people.

Throughout the Commonwealth, April 25 is observed as a public holiday. But it lacks the normal holiday spirit. For instead of going to the beaches or for picnics in the country, Australians through the streets of their cities and towns to see the march of the ex-servicemen.

At the Cenotaph in every Australian city and town, a non-denominational service is held, after which the people file past in a long line to lay their wreaths by the Stone of Remembrance until all available space is piled high with flowers and the air is filled with their fragrance.

In the far-flung places of the world, in the cities of other countries, in every place where Australians and New Zealanders are to be found, they gather to-

gether on April 25 each year and take part in special Anzac Day services.

In Hong Kong as in other parts of the world, Australians and New Zealanders will go to the Cenotaph at 10 a.m. this morning to pay grateful homage to the illustrious dead of two world wars, and to pray that never again will it be necessary to send the best of their young men and women to spend their life blood on the grim fields of war.

### ESTATE LEFT BY BOWMAN

Mr. Percy Douglas Bowman, marine engineer, care of Wheelock Marden and Company, King's Building, who died at Shek O Beach on July 22, 1948, left local estate sworn under HK\$8,100.

Application made by Mr. D. B. Evans, solicitor, the lawful attorney for resealing original grant of letter of administration, was granted.

Mr. James Frederick Gold, who died on September 20, 1948, at 4 Sydney Court, Beaumont, in the Parish of St. Peter, Isle of Jersey, Channel Islands, left local estate sworn under HK\$40,500.

Application made by Mr. Edward Hadley Moffat, bank official, lawful attorney, for resealing exemplification of probate of the will, was granted.

Mrs. Amy Eliza Trueman, widow, formerly of 108 Route Ferguson, Shanghai, who died in the Country Hospital, Shanghai on June 20, 1948, left local estate sworn under HK\$21,700.

Application made by Mr. C. D. Slade, barrister-at-law, for and on behalf of Hong Kong Charitable Bank (Trusts) Hong Kong, the lawful attorney, for resealing certificate copy of probate of the will, was granted.

Mr. John William Franks, formerly of 85 Goldington Avenue, Bedford, who died at his residence on June 15, 1948, left local estate sworn under HK\$29,100.

Application for resealing certificate copy of probate of the will with a codicil thereto was granted to Mr. D. B. Evans, solicitor, the lawful attorney.

## Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

### Scouts And Spies

Sir,—Allow me to express my reaction to the item captioned "Scouts Trained As Spies" printed in today's edition of your newspaper, which was a despatch from the United Press in Moscow.

Boy Scouts and Girl Guides organisations are emphatically not "extra-curricular schools for spies and soldiers." Very much to the contrary, they are schools for upright and virtuous citizens of the world. These organisations, born of voluntary recruits of active boys and girls, are extensive fields wherein the seeds of love of peace, sportsmanship, selflessness and countless other virtues are nourished.

Their innumerable activities, other than bringing the young to closer communion with nature and fellow human beings, moreover offer excellent opportunities for boys and girls to exhibit their true selves. In all their phases of training these organisations display prominently their one main object—that to produce sound and worthy men and women to take their places among the millions as good citizens of the world.

These societies help to develop the qualities of self-reliance, independence, fair play and helpfulness in-born in many of the teenagers and they mould characters and foster brotherhood among the youth. Hence it is a movement toward peace and harmony, definitely not toward cultivation of suspicion, racial prejudice, discrimination, or to breed hatred, aggression and war.

It is a general rule that any accusation or accusation must be substantiated by facts and accurate knowledge. Those incidents as have been enumerated may be participated by other organisations other than scouts whose services or duties are not directly connected with the scout movement. It is time we are aiming at universal brotherhood but not subject to any political imposition.

Invariably everything that a boy scout or girl guide learns or is taught to do is always constructive, never destructive. In 1942 I had the rare occasion among five other boys to represent China in the Second World Boy Scouts Jamboree at Copenhagen. Throughout our journey via Mukden, Moscow, Berlin, to a few places, and our return trip by London, Paris, Marseilles and Singapore, co-operation, self-sacrifice and consideration of others were the mottoes of the day.

I was only 16 then and though my happy experience lasted a few months, it was one of the happiest in my teen-age life. The events reflected many of the qualities associated with a boy scout and girl guide and imprinted a very strong and vivid impression in my mind. Sir and Lady Robert Baden-Powell attended the Jamboree just as other scouts and guides. The atmosphere in the Camp was so harmonious, the slightest detail tended to be by the various divisions of the many companies that I felt and was convinced that such a movement should and could be further promoted for the benefit of world youths and that surely the world of which the Jamboree represent a small portion could certainly exist as one large family. I still cherish this conviction today.

If those who know the scout laws and regulations should put them in practice in their everyday lives, surely the world will be in a better shape than this tumultuous and chaotic condition created by ignorant and poisonous propaganda with an ultra motive designed to mislead.

Mr. V. Yakovlev's allegations will be food for thought for men and women who have been or are scouts and guides.

My two daughters are already girl guides and my son shall be a Wolf Cub, later a scout when he comes to the age—this is to help them to become better citizens in a world of peace and harmony positively not as "spies" because I have no need of such, neither have you.

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### Legal System

Sir,—Notwithstanding Mr. Edmond Potter's able and interesting presentation of the appellants' case, judgment for the respondent, the Mother Superiores of the Daughters of Charity of the Canadian Institute, was delivered by the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, Mr. D. A. L. Wright, one of our most promising young Barristers, is therefore to be congratulated for his learned Counsel and opinions for the respondent.

To a student of English Constitutional Law and History, the decision was what was generally expected. If Mr. Potter's arguments were accepted public policy and public law may have to undergo some radical changes in the British legal system.

For the judiciary to declare acts of the Executive or the Legislature unconstitutional or unenforceable it is definitely American, not English, system. Framers of the United States Constitution got their theories of Separation of Three Powers—Executive, legislative and judicial—of Government from Montesquieu's Spirit of the Laws. Ironically, Montesquieu thought that his splendid political philosophy was based on John Locke's Two Treatises of Government, and that such Separation of Powers was the essence of English liberalism constitutional government.

Neither Montesquieu nor John Locke interpreted the English Jurisprudence rightly. Since the Revolution of 1688 the King-in-Parliament has been supreme and sovereign. No judiciary has ever been permitted to invalidate either acts of Parliament or Orders of the Council to the extent as to establish the independence of the Courts in the interpretation and application of the law and ordinance. This simple legal dictum is that the King can do no wrong and Parliament can change anything except man to woman.

The fancy of the Fathers of American Revolution, who believed that the independence of the judiciary in declaring the law and order null and void came from the British, was realised after Chief Justice John Marshall, of the United States Supreme Court, who studied law only a few weeks, held an act of Congress unconstitutional in the case of Marbury v. Madison in 1803. Since then the Court has continuously declared acts of the legislature null and void, until the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt was so fed up that he just asked Congress to empower him to appoint more judges when the old man on the bench refused to listen to his New Deal measures.

Another trend in the American jurisprudence has been for the judiciary to refuse to review important quasi-judicial and quasi-administrative decisions. Among the more notable are decisions of the Immigration Commission and Inter-State Commerce Commission. In some of the anti-Communist legislation cases the Supreme Court even refused to review congressional acts, which were expressly in violation of American treaties.

The English judiciary has been noted for its high prestige and impartial judgment. But it has not been accustomed to invalidate acts of the executive or of legislature as its brothers in the United States have been.

If His Lordship the Chief Justice has accepted the contention of Mr. Edmond Potter, we may be forced to adopt a more representative government for the Colony, or a novel interpretation of the functions of a British Court which, according to Montesquieu and John Locke, were British two and a half centuries ago.

### A FORGOTTEN CONSTITUTIONAL LAWYER

#### Reform Club

Sir,—It is with a deal of regret that I saw that this morning's Press did not reproduce in full last night's speech by Lt. Col. Brasier-Creagh at the Kowloon Reform Club's Dinner. Without any favour whatsoever, I must say that it was the only speech with any constructive sense of what about it the whole evening.

## Mr. Macdonald In Hong Kong

The Hon. Mr. Macdonald, Minister of the Colonies, arrived here yesterday with Mrs. Macdonald by R.A.F. Dakota from Singapore.

The Government House guards described the visit as an informal one, to provide the Commissioner General with an opportunity to discuss current affairs with the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham.

The Commissioner General and his wife will spend about one week at Government House.

Both my friend and myself were amazed at the lack of objective speaking of most of the speakers.

Previously, I must confess, I was not quite so sure under whose tent to camp, but today I am very sure indeed. The Reform Club, as it was represented last night definitely showed no constructive thought at all, and a lot of dehydrated hot air spun round the room—all to no end. A very simple and straightforward question from Mr. Silva brought forth only a garbled talk of historical reference to Ceylon, and a complete evasion of the main issue. It showed an absolute paucity of any direct policy. This so poor an effort in attempting to reply to Mr. Silva made clear to me that the Reform Club official speaker either (a) did not understand the question, but it was straightforward and clear enough, or (b) follows no laid down policies nor ideas.

It appears that they consider that as long as a large mass of people attend their meetings and unanimously cry "Aye" to a destructive criticism of the Government—so easy to do at any time—that this makes the Legislative Council hot under the collar and reddens the Governor's ears. If that is the case, they must consider the Government and his Council a pack of congenial idiots, and it is about time the Reform Club ceased making fools of themselves.

Col. Brasier-Creagh's speech listed those things which vitally concern our daily lives; in other words, the internal administration of the Colony. We—the people—have no wish to enter into the governing of the Colony beyond that we have no wish of making any attempt to be statesmen; we have fully competent leaders and a tried machine at Westminster to deal with the international and more state-machlike problems. I, and many others, are fully with the colonel in holding such sentiments.

It is time, I think, that a party or Club be set up in opposition to the Reform Club. If so, and it is organised to do things constructively, and pursues its business in the use of criticism of the present system with honesty of purpose, by the production of positive and concrete ideas, the whole Colony, including the present Government will surely benefit. There is no room in the present world for any single party system.

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## Adjudication In Ownership Case

Adjudication in the ownership dispute over No. 184 Queen's Road Central was announced by the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, in the Supreme Court yesterday, when he gave judgment in favour of defendants.

The judgment was given on an action brought by Tsui Chun, a 70-year-old widow, who claimed that she was the owner of the property and that the sale effected in 1945 by her stepson Fung Kwok-hing was null and void as he was not her lawful attorney. She asked for possession of the premises and mesne profit.

The defendants, Lui Suet-ying and Tang Sing-po, a widow and a married woman, contesting the claim, asserted that the 1945 assignment was good and counter-claimed for an order under section 2 and 3 of the Land Transactions (Enemy Occupation) Ordinance 1948 that the plaintiff execute a confirmatory assignment or alternatively specific performance.

The Chief Justice said that at the outset of the hearing he had to decide on whom the onus lay to prove that the assignment was good. He decided that it rested on the defendants; and in support of his decision he quoted a passage from a Privy Council decision in Doe v. Wilson, which stated that there is a great distinction between a civil and a criminal case, when a question of forgery arises.

In the present action, the Chief Justice continued, the point for decision was whether the purported power of attorney was real or forged. In a civil case the onus of proving the genuineness of a deed is on the party who produces it and asserts its validity. In a criminal case the onus of proving a forgery is cast on the prosecutor, and unless he can satisfy the jury, the prisoner must be acquitted.

**Power Of Attorney**

Three lawyers from Canton had been called by the defence to prove that the power of attorney was in fact executed by Tsui Chun in favour of Fung Kwok-hing, and Professor Ma Kiam of the University of Hong Kong had given expert evidence on the genuineness of the signature on the power of attorney.

On the other hand, two Chinese handwriting experts from the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation had given contrary evidence that the signature on the power of attorney was not that of Tsui Chun.

The Chief Justice said, he was not prepared to decide the case on the basis of the evidence of these handwriting experts.

Dealing with Fung Kwok-hing's position, the Chief Justice said he must have known about these proceedings, but he had not come forward. If the power of attorney was genuine then either he had misappropriated the purchase price of the house or he was in complicity with the plaintiff in an attempt to repudiate the sale of the house.

Fung was a teacher in Canton. Plaintiff had said she did not know his whereabouts, but her two daughters, Fung Han-wa and Fung Kwok-wa, said they knew, and, the Chief Justice said, plaintiff must have also known.

**Plaintiff's Case**

Turning to the case of the plaintiff, the Chief Justice said she had denied she had ever wanted to sell the house and had never seen the lawyer Yau Wai-ho in her life, but the evidence had shown that she had, in fact, executed a mortgage.

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## Silver Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. J. M. V. Remedios who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at the Little Flower Club, King's Park, Kowloon, on Friday night.—"China Mail" Photo.

## Remedios Celebrate Silver Jubilee

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. V. Remedios celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on April 22 when they received the warm wishes of relatives and friends at a reception at the Little Flower Club, King's Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Remedios came from two well-known and old families of the Colony. Mrs. Remedios was formerly Luiza Noronha.

They were married at St. Joseph's Church in 1923 on a day which Mr. Remedios, who is now 72 years old, recalled, was finer than the April 22 of this year.

Mr. Joe Noronha, the best man at the wedding proposed the toast to a Golden Wedding. Mr. Remedios recently retired from the Kowloon Docks after 55 years of service.

In his young days, Mr. Remedios was an active athlete and prides himself with a 10.2 seconds for the 100 yards sprint and 22.8 seconds for the 220 yards.

Mr. and Mrs. Remedios have two young sons, one of whom, "Bertie", is in Los Angeles, undergoing a course of dental surgery at the Loyola University.

Mr. and Mrs. Remedios will be visiting their son next spring on a trip which will take them to England where Mrs. Remedios' daughter Marianne, is settled in Yorkshire.

## No One Hurt In Plane Crash

A Harvard AT-6 training plane, the XP-404, piloted by Mr. "Pete" Coster of the Hong Kong Flying Club, crashed-landed at Kai Tak early yesterday afternoon.

Neither Mr. Coster nor his American passenger, Mr. Dorman, was injured. Damage to the plane was slight.

The port-side landing gear gave way just after the plane touched the runway, tipping her over on one wing. The single-blade propeller bent backward as it hit the ground.

A fire-engine and a tow-truck were rushed to the scene.

A RAF officer, attending RAF sports events on the field adjacent to the landing strip, hurried over. He arrived in time to see Mr. Coster and Mr. Dorman climb out of the cockpit.

### CATHOLIC CLUB RE-OPENED

The Chinese Catholic Club at No. 6 Queen's Road Central, was re-opened yesterday. Bishop Henry Bolforta, DD, gave his blessing. More than 100 club members and their friends were present.

The club was first opened in 1945, a few months after the re-occupation of the Colony.

## Loan Company Has Successful Year

A net profit of HK\$1,150,352.03 for last year was reported by Major S. M. Churn at the annual meeting yesterday of the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.

In a reference to the 14 houses in Tung Shing Street, Aberdeen, Major Churn said the property was taken over in satisfaction for a mortgage many years ago. In July last year a demolition order was made as the foundations had subsided.

None of the tenants have complied with the removal notice but a closure order under the Public Health Ordinance had been granted for execution on April 27. The Chairman hoped the authorities could persuade the tenants to vacate before some catastrophe occurred.

The Chairman revealed that merchant clients had increased by 65 per cent, and deposits from merchant sources represented 70 per cent of gross storage earnings, as compared with 47 per cent in 1947. It was a healthy sign both for the Company and the Colony in general, he said.

There had been no claims for losses in godowns during the year.

A dividend of 75 cents a share would be paid, with a bonus of 15 cents a share, both free of tax. Proposed by Mr. E. Grant Smith, and seconded by Mr. A. G. Gillard, the retiring directors Mr. N. V. A. Croucher and Mr. E. Tse-fong were re-elected and the appointment of Mr. R. Johansson to the board to replace Mr. T. B. Wilson was confirmed.

Percy Smith and Company and Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Company on the proposal of Major C. W. L. Way, seconded by Mr. C. Stapleton, were re-appointed auditors.

Among those who attended the meeting were: Major S. M. Churn, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Sir Robert Kotewall, D. H. Blake, R. Johansson, and A. D. Leimholt (secretary).

Shareholders were represented by Messrs. E. Grant Smith, F. E. d'Almeida Remedios, A. Gillard, A. R. Ellis, C. Stapleton, Lam Shu-chun, U. Sz-wing, Lam King-ink and Major C. W. L. Way.

### ART CLUB EXHIBITION

The monthly exhibition by the Hong Kong Art Club will be held on Wednesday and Thursday daily between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. at St. John's Cathedral hall.

## Applications Pouring Into Schools

Five and six-year-old children have a better chance of getting into schools this year than those who are above the kindergarten age, according to a survey by the "Sunday Herald".

The next school-year starts in September but schools are already being flooded with applications for admission.

There has also been heavy registration by parents for admission of their children in kindergarten classes in 1950 and 1951.

It is difficult to arrive at a reasonable estimate of the number of children who will be turned away from schools in September. It is a practice of school children to apply at more than one school for admission with the hope of getting into one.

More than 400 applications have been received by the Diocesan Girls' School for admission to classes in the junior and senior middle schools. It was learned yesterday that only 30 vacancies will be available when the school year opens.

At the French Convent School there are some 800 applications on the register. Further registrations have been stopped. Only 30 vacancies will be available in the kindergarten in September.

La Salle College has received more than 700 applications. In September it will be able to accommodate only 200 students in Class 8.

The same situation exists at St. Paul's College where it was learned that between 30 and 40 children will be able to be admitted to the kindergarten. A similar number of vacancies will be available at St. Stephen's Girls' College, but also in the kindergarten classes.

About 1,000 applications for admission have been received by the Sacred Heart School. At the beginning of the school year there will be vacancies only in the kindergarten.

The Hong Kong University will have 200 vacancies. Admission to the medical and engineering faculties will, however, be limited to 80 and 45, respectively. It was learned, because of limited laboratory space. Practically all Government schools will not be able to accommodate any outside students.

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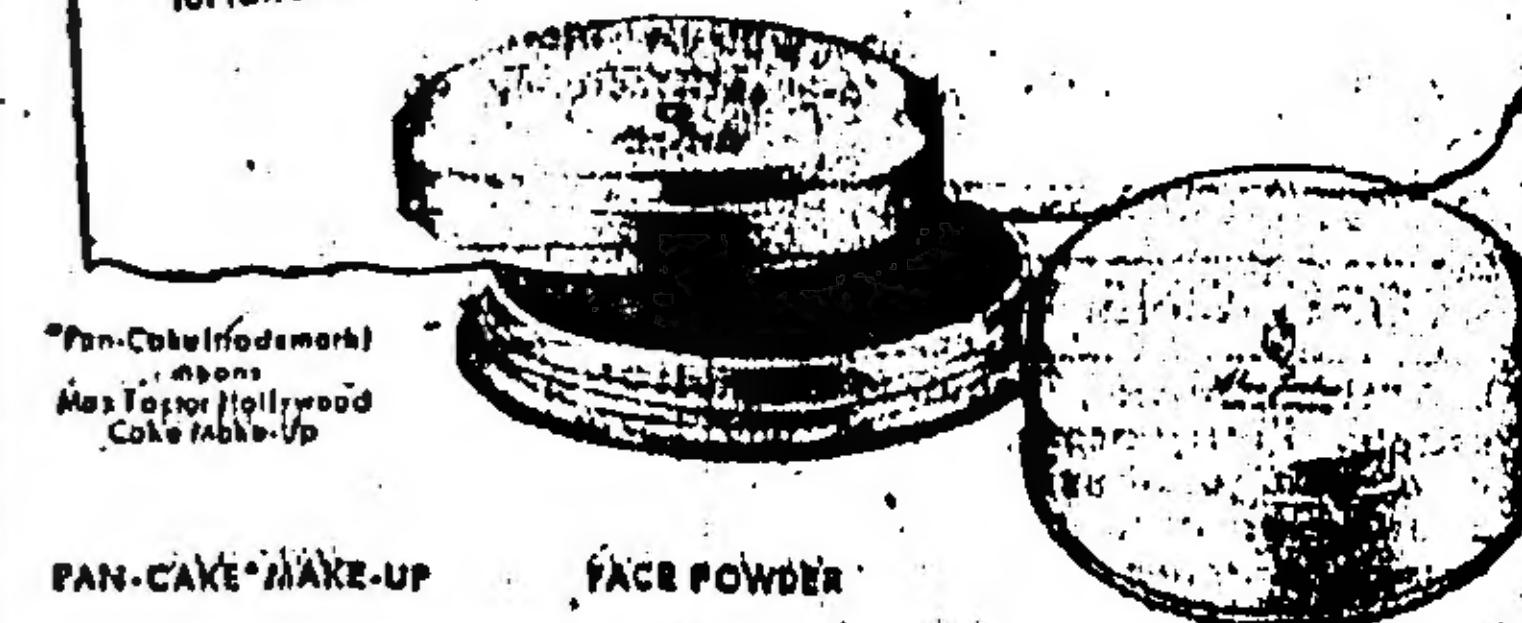
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are adequate but are still not plentiful, and rationing con-  
tinues to be the fairest way of ensuring an equitable dis-  
tribution. There is, however, reason to believe that the  
system has been abused in that ration cards belonging to  
persons who have left the Colony may still be in use. Par-  
ticulars of the number of date. It has, therefore, been  
decided that new cards should be issued. Card holders  
will be asked to provide fuller particulars when applying  
for new cards than they have been required to do up to  
now. For example, details of card holders' passports will  
be required to enable the rationing authorities to cancel  
their cards when they leave the Colony. For similar reasons  
everyone who has reached the age of 16 will have to have  
a separate card.

New cards will for the present only be issued to persons  
covered by existing butter ration cards.

II. To reduce delay and inconvenience to the public  
in obtaining new butter cards, separate dates have been  
fixed on an alphabetical basis. Those dates are:-

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|---|-----------------|
| (a) Persons whose names<br>begin with the letters A - C | 25th-27th April |
| (b) " " " " " D - G                                     | 28th-30th April |
| (c) " " " " " H - K                                     | 2nd-4th May     |
| (d) " " " " " L - N                                     | 5th-7th May     |
| (e) " " " " " O - S                                     | 9th-11th May    |
| (f) " " " " " T - Z                                     | 12th-14th May   |

## III. What To Do.

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in application forms for new butter ration cards.
- The new cards will be prepared and handed to you  
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- Take the new card to your retailers and register  
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- Keep both cards until the date on which the new  
card will come into force is announced.

## IV. Notes.

- New cards will for the present only be issued to  
persons covered by existing butter ration cards.
- As everyone who has reached the age of 16 must  
in future have a separate butter ration card, separate  
application forms will be required. But it is  
not necessary for each individual to go to the Price  
Control Office. A husband, for example, may fill  
up application forms on behalf of his wife and child-  
ren provided the necessary documents are produced.
- Children under 16 will be included in their Mothers'  
or Fathers' card. Particulars of such children will  
therefore be entered on the application form of one  
of the parents.
- Persons already covered by block rations issued to  
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to the United States by Philip-  
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General Claire Chennault, famed  
commander of the "Flying  
Tigers", declined to be interviewed  
by the Press but agreed to answer  
questions submitted in writing.

His visit to Louisa, the  
General said, is for reasons of  
health and for a vacation. He is  
accompanied by Mrs. Chennault.

Asked whether he was still  
thinking of reviving the "Flying  
Tigers", General Chennault's terse  
answer was "no comment".

About three months ago, the  
General said in Shanghai that if  
the air corps were revived, he  
would be willing to lead it again.

General Chennault arrived in  
Hong Kong late Friday afternoon.  
His plane took off noon yesterday.

Several months ago CAT moved  
their headquarters from Shanghai  
to Canton. According to a com-  
pany spokesman, Shanghai today  
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pany, at Kai Tak was viewed by  
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## Money Market

US dollars mounted yesterday  
to HK\$5.68 when sellers failed to  
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TT was sold at HK\$5.47, and  
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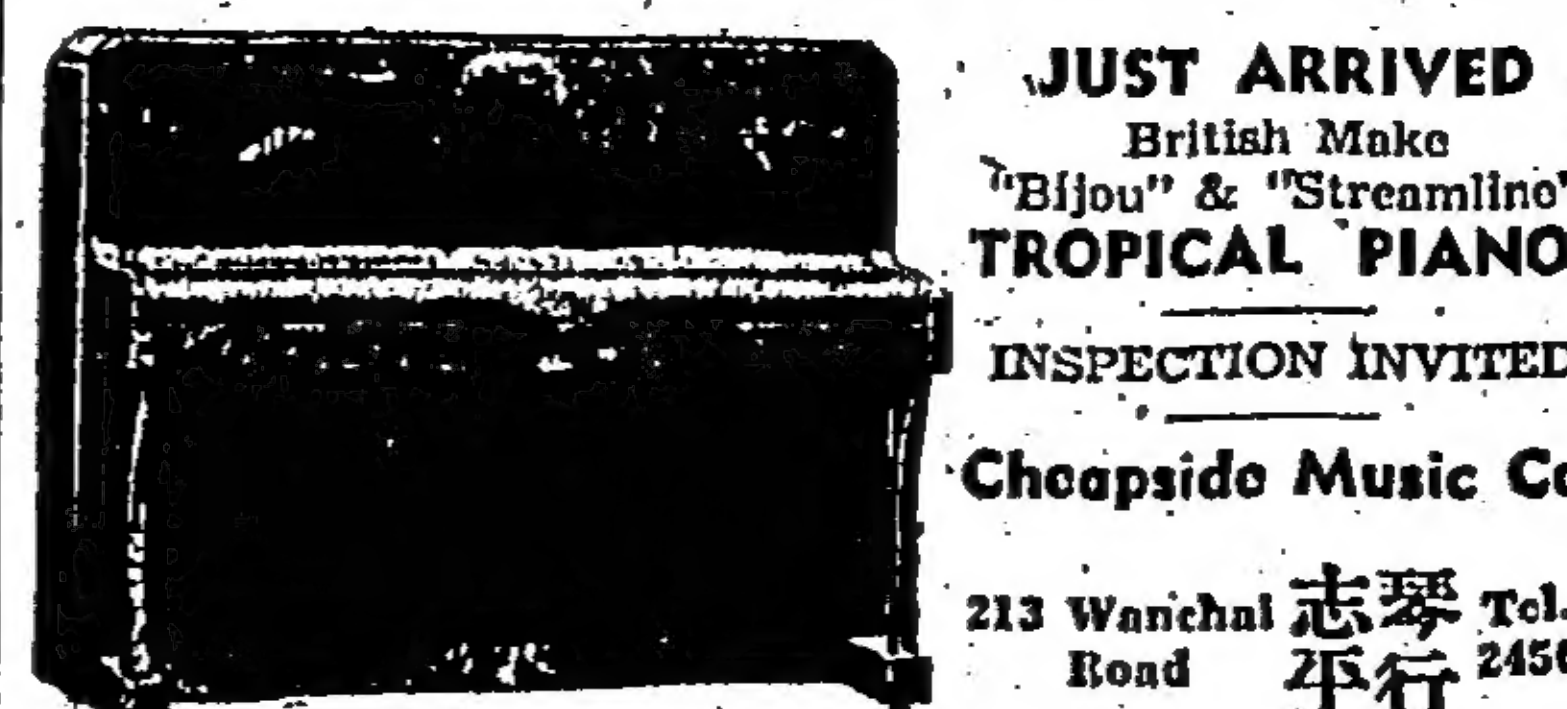
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100 and closed at \$10.45.

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# Patrick Campbell's Piece

O, it's not for the sake of a ribboned coat, or the rumpy-tum of a season's fame. I wish I knew the rest of that, because it exactly fits my present position. At this moment I am in Deal. I can see the sea from my rose-bordered bedroom window. (Imagine the terror of Soho out in the open air!) I am in Deal to play for my old school in a contest called the Halford-Hewitt Cup. It's golf. Jay, look out! That man's making a break for the exit! Trip him! Head him off! Throw paper in his face! Fine. Bring him back here. Now you just listen.

There are nearly 600 of us around these parts. Fifty-six schools, 10 players a school, and a whole army of hangers-on hoping to get their colours if the captain of the Remove should happen to break his neck. There are lean old boys, clean old boys, and a number of old boys so old that it seems possible that their warts of learning are no longer in existence. And almost every single one of them is wearing an old school tie. (Our school has an old school golfing tie and I'm going to get one! No ceremony, of course. No

manned slinging in Big Hall, or the other boys' slinkers grouped round in picture hats. I just had a word about a guinea, and I got it.) When I do get it I'm going to feel a lot more comfortable. All I have at the moment is three Burlington-arcade polka-dots, and to my mind every dot stands out like a searchlight. What you want round here is a modest diagonal stripe. Anything else is fancy dress, on a par with wearing a



double-breasted waistcoat before you've got to be a prefect. O, it's not for the sake of a ribboned coat, or the rumpy-tum of a season's fame. But his captain's hand on his shoulder smote. Play up! Play up! And play the game! That's it. That's better. It's all coming back to me. The trouble is—I'm not sure if I have played the game.

Only a short while ago I was standing in the same room with Vivian Leigh, Hermione Gingold, Anne Crawford, and Dulcie Gray. Sir Laurence and Lady Olivier were having a party. Couldn't wait to get round there, of course, to pick up all the gossip. It was only as I stretched out my white hand for another dry Martini that I suddenly realised that this was just the opposite of playing up, playing up, and playing the game. What I ought to have been doing was lying in a cold bath at home, purifying nerve and sinew for the struggle ahead.

I bet, out of the 600-old old boys down here now, only one of them yesterday brushed past Miss Gingold and got a blast of that intoxicating perfume. To tell the truth, I feel all kinds of beast. If anything goes wrong when the contest proper begins I'll just jolly well have to own up, that's all I'll have to do. And then you'll see the stiff upper lip. I shouldn't be surprised if I didn't have to have a couple of weeks in Coventry. It's a bit queer seeing me in former playmates dressed up as

adults. (As some people grow older—wiser, more sensitive, more intelligent—it shows in their faces. One would have difficulty imagining seeing the lean — is it embittered—newspaperman of today, and trying to pick him out from the photographic group that won the inter-house pole-vault in 1907.)

But all the others look exactly the same as they used to be. The same, that is, apart from a couple of obviously false mustaches, and one or two more with enormous paper sticking out of their innocent little faces.

The snails of the desert are sullen red. The Gullies' jammed and the colonel's dead. But the voice of the schoolboy rattles the ranks. Play up! Play up! And play the game!

In another couple of minutes I'm going to be singing the old school song. Indeed, if we win this thing, I may have to sing the old school song! But what about the work? When the head hands us the cup, and the livers give three rousing hurrahs, it's not going to be enough to produce something like: "The rumpy-tum of a season's fame."

It's got to be all the words or nothing. But, casting my mind back to my education with a jerk, I find that I cannot now separate my prop school song from the one they came later.

"Out on the big field at hockey or cricket, or here in the classroom singing a pen—"

Did I sing that in shorts with my mother in the third row back clutching a cake and two tins of corned beef? Or was it a year later, when I'd moved into navy-blue long and had had a couple of furtive scrapes at my face with a borrowed razor?

It's all such a terrible long time ago. I remember the time when we used to have tinned pears and condensed milk for Sunday evening suppers in our studies, but—dash it—I don't think I can remember anything else.

Coming down in the train—this is disjointed, but can't I be in the grip, for once, of emotion?—coming down in the train I found myself in the same carriage as an Old Harrovian, or an Old Etonian. It must have been one of the other: He was wearing suede shoes. It was clear enough, from our respective golf-clubs in our respective racks, that we were both bent upon the same errand. But it was some time before we spoke.

After 20 miles I said: "Are you going to Deal?" Flashing it right out like that. Simple, ingenious, Irish peasant stuff.

"Yes," he said, "I am, actually." "Is it?" I asked him, "nice down there?"

"Last time I was there," he said, "someone pinched my golf shoes and a fountain-pen."

He returned to the Financial Times. I don't believe it. I don't believe it's possible. The kind of people we have here have their own golf shoes and their own fountain-pens.

Look at the list of entrants. The Old Cranleighs, the Old Harrovians, the Old Rugbians, the Old Hallowellians, the Old Malvernians, the Old Leysians, the Old Marlboroughs, the Old Millfields, the Old Chelmsfords, the Old Bancrofts, the Old Tonbridge, the Old Salopians, the Old Etonians, the Old Harrovians, the Old Etonians, the Old Harrovians, the Old Etonians.

Looks like plenty of fountain-pens there to me.

But now there comes a call. My Schoolmates want to play poker! Well really, children, are you sure you're old enough? I mean, playing poker with lean, embittered newspaper men when it's done enough that all of you are thinking of leaving any neighbour behind the gym?

Times have changed, my ink young fags. Certain people have had the privilege of growing up. What? Oh, pshaw, what? You mean it's 22 at the very least, for card?

I know what I'm going to do. I'm going to snail.

# What the CHINESE PRESS is saying

## The Ban On Gold

Sing Tao Jih Pao: Different opinions have been voiced as regards Government's ban on gold transactions. Some people are concerned about the rumoured devaluation of the Hong Kong dollar.

The new measure is aimed at stabilising the local currency. Government's explanation that the ban has been imposed to fulfil obligations to the International Monetary Fund. This is not so. It would be more correct to say that the new measure has been adopted to stabilise the rates of Sterling via-via the American dollar.

Economics and politics are closely linked. The ban was imposed on the eve of the Communist crossing of the Yangtze obviously to counter-act the expected influx of Hong Kong currency from the interior of China. The step taken by the Hong Kong Government is, therefore, wise and timely.

It has been said that only one-third of Hong Kong's currency is

in circulation within the Colony. The remainder circulates extensively in the interior.

No concern, however should be felt over the possible influx of Hong Kong currency from the interior. Trade is mainly responsible for the extensive circulation of Hong Kong currency in the interior.

The Kung Pao: Confusion will continue until Government clarifies the regulations banning gold transactions, possession of gold and publication of gold transactions.

In the course of the past week, hectic fluctuations were recorded on the market. The capital search-ed desperately for outlets. Until the ban, these idle funds were invested in gold.

As a result of the new regulations, a real black market has been created in the Colony.

Currency stability naturally is essential to the stability of the livelihood of the people. And the prosperity of a place depends on the stability of the people's livelihood.

The problem confronting the Colony at present is the crossing of the Yangtze by the Chinese Communist armies. These crossings will inevitably result in great changes in the situation of South China.

The question is not the probable spreading of hostilities, but the vast amount of Hong Kong currency which will flow back to the Colony from the interior and the possible influx of capital from South China.

What Government is prepared to do to absorb the surplus currency that will be hurled back will decide the stability of the Colony and its future prosperity.

Kung Sheung Yat Po: The breaking down of hostilities between the Kuomintang Government and the Chinese Communist Party is indeed the Chinese people's greatest misfortune. Their hardships, burdens and suffering will increase.

The failure of the talks is a result of a desire for a two-party rule to the complete disregard of the interests of the people.

China has fought the Japanese for eight years and the civil war for about three years. The people have always demanded and longed

for peace. Their losses in this civil war are considerable.

Today the people are against war. They want peace. It is no use to talk about democracy while war continues.

We see no reason for making the people suffer in a war between two political parties.

Kung Sheung Yat Po: The Chinese people do not hate any particular nation. They are naturally peace-loving and have no ideas of aggression.

They are, however, strongly opposed to aggression. Any interpretation of the Chinese people's peace-loving nature as a weakness will turn out disastrous for the interpreting nation.

During the war, America and China fought shoulder to shoulder against the common enemy. Their relations were good and friendly. In addition, the Chinese people are grateful for all the help they had received from America.

The Chinese welcome sincere and friendly co-operation from other nations but will fight to the bitter end any attempt to cheat and to deprive them of their rightful interests.

Irrespective whether the nation is powerful or not, the Chinese people are confident in resisting any attempt at aggression, even if it means fighting 100 years.

We trust the nations will take note of this.

Kung Sheung Yat Po: Two years ago a Parliamentarian on a visit here remarked that Hong Kong should be made the show window of democracy in the Far East.

We then believed that Whitehall had the intention of making Hong Kong a good example of democracy. However, the emergency powers of the Governor are being increased.

At a debate, sponsored by the Reform Club, it was generally recognised that the unofficial members of the Legislative Council should be elected by the people and should give more attention to the welfare of the people than hitherto.

We are fully aware of the difficulties but we believe that something can be done in the right direction. Some may feel concerned because the Chinese majority in the Colony. We, however, are of the opinion that concessions could be made to solve the problem so as to elect the right candidates who would serve the people better.

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## GERMANS LIVE BETTER THAN THE RUSSIANS

Frankfurt, April 23.  
Defeated Western Germany has a higher standard of living than victorious Soviet Russia. Neither the Soviet worker nor the West German worker has regained his pre-war standard. But a comparison of the labour that each must do to buy certain necessities shows that the German has come back faster than the Russian.

## TALKS ON GAMBOA CASE

Lake Success, April 22.  
Brigadier General Carlos Romulo, chief Philippine delegate to the United Nations, said today that he had, during the past few days, discussed the case of Sergeant Gamboa with Mr. Norman Makin, Australian Ambassador to the United States.

(Gamboa, a Philippine-born American soldier, now in Tokyo, has been refused permission to visit his Australian wife and three children in Australia, because he is an Asiatic.)  
General Romulo asked Mr. Makin to impress on his Government the depth of feeling evoked in the Philippines by the exclusion of Sergeant Gamboa, he stated.

"Mr. Makin has communicated with both the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph Chifley, who is in London, and the Minister for Immigration, Mr. Arthur Calwell, and hopes we may be able to reach a solution."  
General Romulo is leaving by air for Manila tonight for consultations with his Government, and expects to return to New York on April 28.—Reuter.

## INDIA TO HOLD ELECTIONS

New Delhi, April 22.  
General elections in India are not expected to be held earlier than 1950, since the final electoral rolls will not be available before the end of this year.  
Announcing this, the minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs told the Dominion Parliament that the preliminary electoral rolls under the new Constitution are expected to be finalised and printed by the end of 1949.—Reuter.

## The Laugh Was On Showman

Wolverhampton, April 22.  
A Wolverhampton girl aged 23 was awarded £200 damages for a broken leg here today against the proprietor of a fair ground side-show advertised as "Hi de Ho. If you can't laugh, don't come in here."  
The girl told the judge that she was taken along a dark passage and made to sit on a seat in complete darkness. The seat collapsed and she was projected on to a conveyor belt which had a steep slope and a drop at the bottom. In the fall she broke her leg.—Reuter.

## Shocking State Of Warsaw

Berlin, April 22.  
Even by Berlin standards, the war ruins in Warsaw are shocking. Brigadier General Frank L. Howley, American Commander in Berlin, said today on his return from a three-day visit to the Polish capital.  
General Howley said his visit had no political significance and that he had merely gone to Warsaw on a pleasure trip. He had not talked with Polish political or military leaders.

He said: "The entire city resembles the worst part of Berlin. It would seem to me more practical to abandon it entirely and rebuild elsewhere, but the Poles are courageously working on reconstruction and are making some progress. Everyone in one of the city seems to be engaged in rubble clearance and they have built some of the apartment houses on the outskirts as well as Government buildings."—United Press.

## Soap Exception

The average cost of a pound of rye bread in Russia is 25 minutes' work. The West German worker buys it for 15 minutes' work. A pound of wheat bread costs the Russian 55 minutes' work. The West German gets it for 30 minutes' work.  
A Russian works about 10 hours to get a pound of butter. A West German works about 2½ hours. The worker in Russia can get a pound of beef for 4½ hours of work. In Western Germany a little over two hours of work yields a pound of beef.  
The cost of labour for soap is Russia and 2½ hours in Western Germany; 90 minutes for a bar in Russia and ½ hour in Western Germany.—Associated Press.

## Poland Trying To Wreck The ILO

Pittsburgh, April 22.  
Sir William Lawther, President of Britain's National Union of Mine Workers, today accused Poland of trying to wreck the International Labour Office.

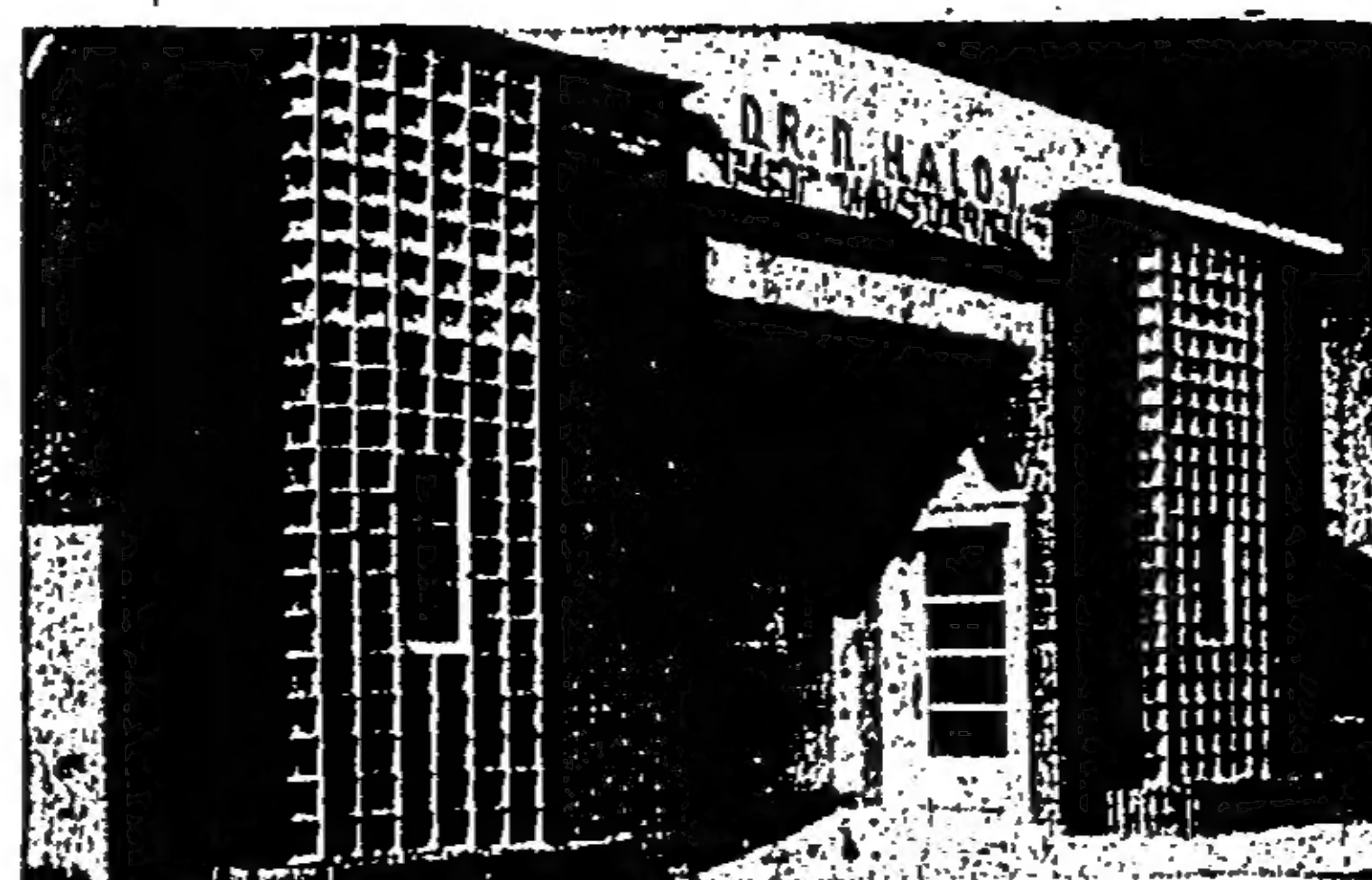
The charge came during an exchange of criticism—the second between two delegations in the ILO Coal Mines Committee meeting.

Sir William replied to Poland's Aysard Nieszporek, who attacked the Western trade unions for withdrawing from the WFTU saying: "These withdrawals violate the most elementary principle of trade union democracy and caused amazement among all honest trade unionists throughout the world."

The British delegate immediately replied, accusing Poland of seeking to undermine the ILO. He said: "Let us cease

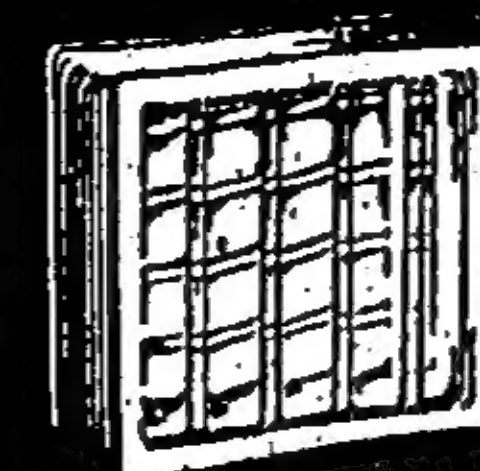
this petty soap-box sniping and, above all, let us cease insistent, persistent attempts to undermine the task of the only medium that gives us an opportunity to discuss openly, frankly and freely problems that concern labour."

"Those of us who believe in the democratic way of life accept this challenge to defend something as sacred as life itself."  
"The British Trades Union Congress will answer to a properly constituted congress for our activities, not to an assembly of yesmen and nincompoops such as the Polish miner delegate apparently is used to addressing."—United Press.



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## INDIA ACKNOWLEDGED LEADER IN THE EAST

Washington, April 23.  
One of the outstanding impressions visitors to South East Asia get today is that India during 18 months of independence has assumed the role of leader of the Asian peoples.

A number of observers believe India offers the major hope for eventual political and economic stability of the turbulent area. Some critics have been confounded by the fact that this Indian leadership has been sober and responsible and in no degree tinged with racial aspects.

The Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, is generally conceded full credit for the moderation yet steadiness of purpose with which India has approached such controversial regional questions as the Indonesian problem and continued civil strife in Burma. Foreign observers as well as Indian officials admit India still has many domestic difficulties of her own to solve.

Despite the fact that India still has a long way to go in solving some of her own problems, foreign observers sometimes term the Indian Government the only really stable independent one in Asia, outside of the Philippines and Ceylon. They point out that the tremendous wealth and economic potential of India, as well as her strategic position as a bridge between the East and West, prime her for a major role in world affairs.  
The conference of 19 Pacific Asian and Mid-East nations in New Delhi last January to consider the Indonesian problem provided one of the best examples yet of India's stature among her neighbours. Mr. Nehru had a major share in influencing the final form and wording of the resolution adopted by the conference. He avoided extremism of any sort in insisting upon a moderate yet firm approach in urging the Security Council toward an honourable decision in the strife-torn Indies.

## Accepted Leader

His statesmanship and India's influence were manifest in fact that conference at no time took on any aspects of East versus West or coloured races versus whites. Any attempt by more extreme elements to inject such an attitude into the conference was immediately and firmly beaten down by the Indians.

At the same time, Mr. Nehru successfully resisted the desire of individual groups to secure conference consideration of issues other than Indonesia. The Arab states represented at New Delhi had hoped the Asian nations could be brought to consider the Palestine question, but adroit Mr. Nehru thwarted this diversion of attention. Indian action in calling a meeting of interested countries to consider the Burmese problem was viewed by neutral sources as an outstanding example of a responsible approach by one newly freed people to help another achieve stability under independence.

The readiness of other Asians to follow Indian leadership in attempting to solve these problems is taken as evidence of their general acceptance of India as a leader of their area. India's burdens in assuming this leadership are manifestly many and heavy. The situation of virtual anarchy in Burma, continued anti-Government military activity in Malaya, lack of progress in settling Indonesian strife and the

## Chinese Reds

Added to these troubles, India must now view with concern the continuing success of Chinese Communists. A Communist advance to the Southern border of China would bring the country's Communists into contact with Communists in Indochina, Siam, Burma, East Pakistan, and India. While nobody yet knows just how direct are the links between the Communists in these various countries, the potentialities for trouble are considered enormous. This is especially true since India herself is faced with growing Communist activity within her own borders. This Communist activity has manifested itself in increasing industrial strife in larger cities and troubles among Indian peasants, particularly in Southern India.

Even if all or most of the political troubles in Asia are solved, that area faces the necessity for enormous economic advance to alleviate the plight of millions who still exist at virtually sub-human level. Major progress in solving the problem of mass illiteracy in Asia, raising health standards and tackling a multitude of other problems cannot be made until political and economic questions are solved.

Thus, while India's advance to the position of Asian leadership is a source of considerable pride to her officials and people, the size of the problems involved in that role is undoubtedly of grave concern to the Indian leaders.

## Major Headache

The major unanswered questions they must ponder are whether the cold war between Russia and the Anglo-American powers will subside enough so that the world can attempt to get back somewhat to a "business as usual" basis, and if not, how can India maintain her desire to play a neutral role and avoid entanglement in either camp. This admittedly will be of the greatest difficulty since Indians generally look to Western nations to provide money and technological assistance which Asians must have if they are to advance economically. How to secure this without being drawn too strongly into the Western camp is a major Indian headache now.

Another trend which threatens to upset Indian neutrality is the growing belief amongst her leaders as well as those of countries such as Australia, New Zealand and the Philippines, that some form of South East Asia Regional Defence Pact must be brought into being. Accomplishing this without having the Russians blast it as another link in a United States plan to contain Communism undoubtedly would be considered a miracle.

Thus India, having assumed the leadership of her hemisphere, today finds herself on one of the hottest spots on the globe.—United Press.

## REGENT TO SEE LEOPOLD

Brussels, April 23.  
Sources close to the Brussels Palace confirmed last night that the Belgian Prince Regent, Charles, is to meet exiled King Leopold in Switzerland.

The source declined to say where, but indicated it will be soon. The meeting is an initiative from King Leopold in attempting to bring a solution to the royal question.

The return of Leopold himself to the throne is not likely to be at stake now. The question is likely to be what are the conditions under which the King's eldest son, Prince Baudouin, would be brought back to Belgium to finish his education and again put him in contact with his country. The King and his brother, the Prince Regent, are not in a position to decide the eventual return of the King and the end of the present Regency. The decision is to be taken by a vote of Parliament.

It seems that the present meeting is an attempt to bring a settlement of the royal question before the coming elections, to take place at the end of June.

The information was front-paged in the late afternoon edition of the semi-official newspaper "Le Sol". Later, a source close to the Prince confirmed the news carried by "Le Sol".—Associated Press.

## No Man's Land In Palestine

Damascus, April 22.  
Brigadier-General William Hiley, United Nations' Chief of Staff in Palestine, said after yesterday's meeting of the Syrian and Israeli delegations, negotiating a Palestine armistice, that neither (the Syrian nor) the Israeli forces have agreed to withdraw from their present positions.

He added that he had decided to create a No Man's Land of at least 600 metres between the two forces. The two delegations will meet again on Tuesday.

Official circles here said today that King Farouk of Egypt offered all moral and material help to Syria when Colonel Husni Zaim, the Syrian Prime Minister, visited him yesterday at his summer residence in Iraq.

These circles also expect Egypt and Saudi Arabia to recognise the new Syrian regime soon.—Reuter.

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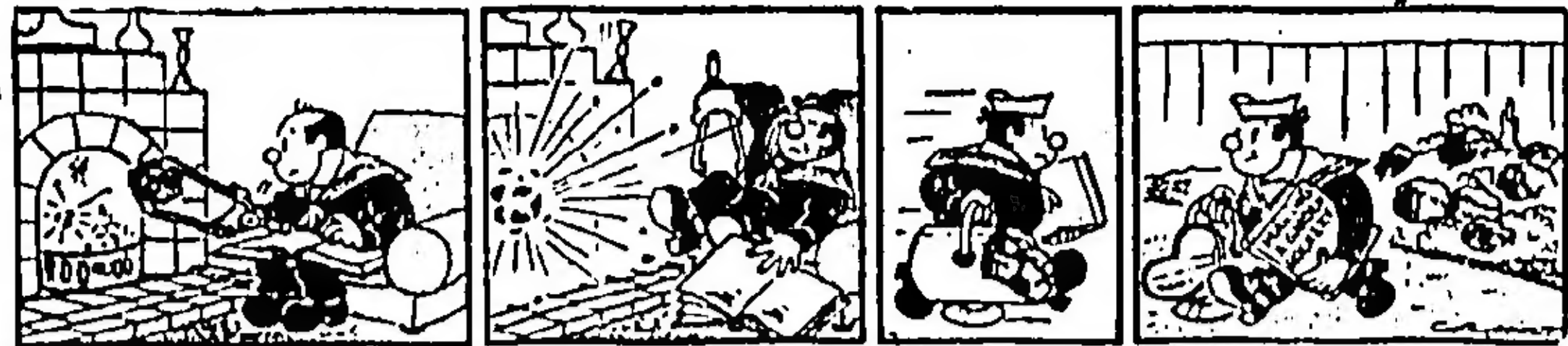


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## ABLE SEAMAN

By HOLT



# Your life and Mine

by IRIS ASHLEY

When the Atlantic Pact was signed in Washington I thought: What a beautiful city for such a good deed!

A city which is now, as never before, the centre of world affairs; the place where our future must be planned, if not decided.

I remember when I was in Washington that I wrote of spring in England. Thinking, with some homesickness, of the little white lambs which dot the gentle slopes around my Sussex home at this time of year.

Did you ever stand and watch while lambs give their senseless, frivolous little leaps into the air? It is so gay that even if you are alone it makes you laugh aloud.

Now, in England, I remember Washington. Right alongside the Governmental buildings is a kind of artificial lake, fed by the Potomac river and called the Tidal Basin, which is rimmed by cherry trees.

In April the sky over Washington was almost sure to be a bright, cloudless blue, and with their graceful branches leaning over and above the blue-reflecting water, the cherry trees were in full bloom.

To the world in general "Dumbarton Oaks" is the name which was given to an international monetary agreement.

But I remember a young man with stars in his eyes asking at a Washington cocktail-party, "Did I see the magnolias in bloom at Dumbarton Oaks?" Five minutes' drive took me to Dumbarton Park—and I smiled.

They were lovely magnolias all right, but I knew that my young friend was newly wed, newly out of the Navy, and not long out of a terrible war.

America's capital was planned (if you didn't know), to resemble Paris. So it is not surprising that the elegant white and gleaming shop-windows of Connecticut Avenue remind you of the Champs Elysees.

And leafy, residential Massachusetts Avenue (known locally as Embassy Row) might easily end up at the Etoile and the Arc de Triomphe.

About eight miles from the Senate building brings you over the Potomac river into the Virginia countryside. Or, the other way, into the residential suburbs, with such pleasant names as Chevy Chase and Spring Valley.

Here are large and small Georgian type houses, which could have looked like square boxes, but instead delight the eye because of the pretty front doors and coloured shutters, on every house.

The climate and soil (and frankly, I believe, the inhabitants!) are against gardens. It was one thing I really missed.

But at Easter-time Washington abounds in vast bushes of forsythia, almost like hedges, their yellow star-like flowers in such profusion that it looks for all the world like captured sunshine.

In the winter the women dress as they do in any city; but when the warm weather comes they relax into cool, washable dresses, low-heeled shoes, and no hats.

The only formal note is in the white gloves which all smart women wear—a sort of proof that, though their attire seems casual, it is not careless.

My Washington day-dream is broken by the arrival of my daughter, who came through the door like something from a catapult.

She reminded me of the little lambs, and I laughed and told her: "Washington."



Eighty-year-old Mrs. E.K. Richards (right) and another recipient display the silver coins of Royal Maundy and the small leather bags containing them, after the age-old ceremony at Westminster Abbey. Princess Elizabeth represented the King on this occasion. The ancient custom derives from the time when the reigning monarch washed the feet of poor persons on this day as an act of humility. — Associated Press photo.

## Japan Is Jubilant

America is softening her occupation policy in Japan, and the applause of scores of textile managers jubilant at escaping what at one time seemed the inevitable breaking up of their industries, can be heard in Osaka.

Only a few months ago, reports Richard Hughes, the American Occupation authorities were planning to forbid the unified management by any one textile concern of more than one variety of textile spinning.

The plan was part of a country-wide attempt to decentralize Japan's industry in case it might become a too dangerous concentration of economic power.

By JOHN ASHWIN

Immediately the plan to split up the management of their industries was made known, however, the textile chiefs protested. Surprisingly enough they were supported by visiting American

businessmen who pointed out to the authorities that such a process of decentralization would only lower the efficiency of the industries and weaken the whole Japanese textile structure.

Now Washington has agreed. Of Japan's 10 major cotton spinning firms only one has had orders to reorganise into independent textile and trading companies. The rest have been given "clean sheets" and orders to produce cotton goods in whatever way and in as many varieties as they wish.

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## Now The Mediterranean

Four years have passed since the German surrender to the victorious allies.

The second war, coming within a generation of the first, inflicted hideous wounds upon the body of Europe, from which it has seemed to many acute observers that she could never recover.

For on a huge scale, the two world wars have done to Europe what the two Peloponnesian wars did to Ancient Greece. Exhausted by internal conflict, continents, like nations, become an easy prey to external aggression.

At the same time, the balance of power, in its widest sense, has been forever shifted. Europe no longer dominates the world. A hegemony which has lasted for 2,000 years is finally at an end.

For Europe, though of vital importance to the world for many reasons—with her large populations, her intrinsic wealth and capacity to produce wealth, her culture, and her traditions—stands between two great Powers, in the East and in the West, both superior in actual and mobilisable war potential.

### No Third Force

In this situation, it was for a time a popular theory (not only on the Continent but in Britain) that Europe's future role was to act as a "Third Force"—a sort of mediator or honest broker between Communist Russia and Capitalist America.

It was because this notion was so widely entertained (especially in what are called "progressive circles") that the reaction against Mr. Churchill's Fulton speech was so violent. With his uncanny gift of prophecy, he saw into the future, to most of us at that time still dark and obscure.

He saw, above all, the essential fallacy in this specious policy of European isolation. For Europe, by every test of what constitutes the very character of a civilisation, belongs to the West—to that New World which is itself the child and heir of the Old.

Three years—almost a day—after the Fulton speech, was signed the Atlantic Pact. The Atlantic Pact is the reaction to Soviet aggression. It is a pact for defence. It is essentially a barrier, not a springboard, defensive fortifications. It is like the medieval castle, whose defenders, by the act of retiring into the

keep, have abandoned much valuable territory to the ravages of the enemy. We must not forget how far back—how far to the West—the line is drawn.

Apart from the actual conquests and consequential annexations of territory made by the Soviet Union since 1939—and these amount to 273,000 square miles and a population of 24 millions seized and incorporated, without the slightest pretence of consultation or consent—this line

By The RT. Hon HAROLD MacMILLAN, M.P.

(as at present drawn) means the abandonment to tyranny of all Eastern and part of Central Europe, including the Eastern portion of Germany. Such is the tragic outcome of a war in defence of freedom.

Shocked Into Action Faced with this terrible situation (it was perhaps the rape of Czechoslovakia which proved the last straw) what remained of Europe was shocked into action.

As the result of a series of negotiations which reflect the highest credit on all the statesmen concerned, 10 nations of Western Europe, with two nations of the New World—Canada and the United States—have signed the Atlantic Pact.

That is indeed a welcome extension from the original Brussels Powers, five in number. Thus on the left flank are ranged Denmark, Norway—and strategically of equal importance—Iceland.

If Sweden is at present out of the picture, we understand the reasons. For we must remember that the pact is as yet a diplomatic rather than a military accomplishment. It is a verbal promise to all together to resist aggression. It has not yet devised, still less brought into effective being, the physical means for that resistance.

The pact is strengthened in its rear by the important adherence of Portugal—and Portugal means also the Azores. Its right wing is much assisted by the bold and noble decision of the Italian Government in the face of powerful and menacing Communist forces, to link themselves to the nations of Western Europe.

But, even with Italy, the right wing is somewhat in the air. The whole line, never well entrenched across Europe, may be turned in the Eastern Mediterranean. It is, moreover, in this area that the forces of aggression can be most easily deployed. For if all Europe has been partially Balkanised, it is still true that in the Balkans is the danger spot.

If, therefore, the Atlantic Pact is to be effective, it must as a matter of urgency be buttressed by a Mediterranean Pact. This must include Greece and Turkey; it must be extended as rapidly as possible from the Near East to the Middle East, above all to Persia.

The Communist pressure, temporarily checked in the West, will be brought to bear in the near future on these countries. Persia has up to now put up a splendid resistance. But it seems as if a fresh aggression was beginning.

It is essential that an immediate and authoritative "insurance cover" be extended to Persia as well as to Greece and Turkey, pending the formal conclusion of Mediterranean and Middle Eastern Pacts.

### Greece In Danger

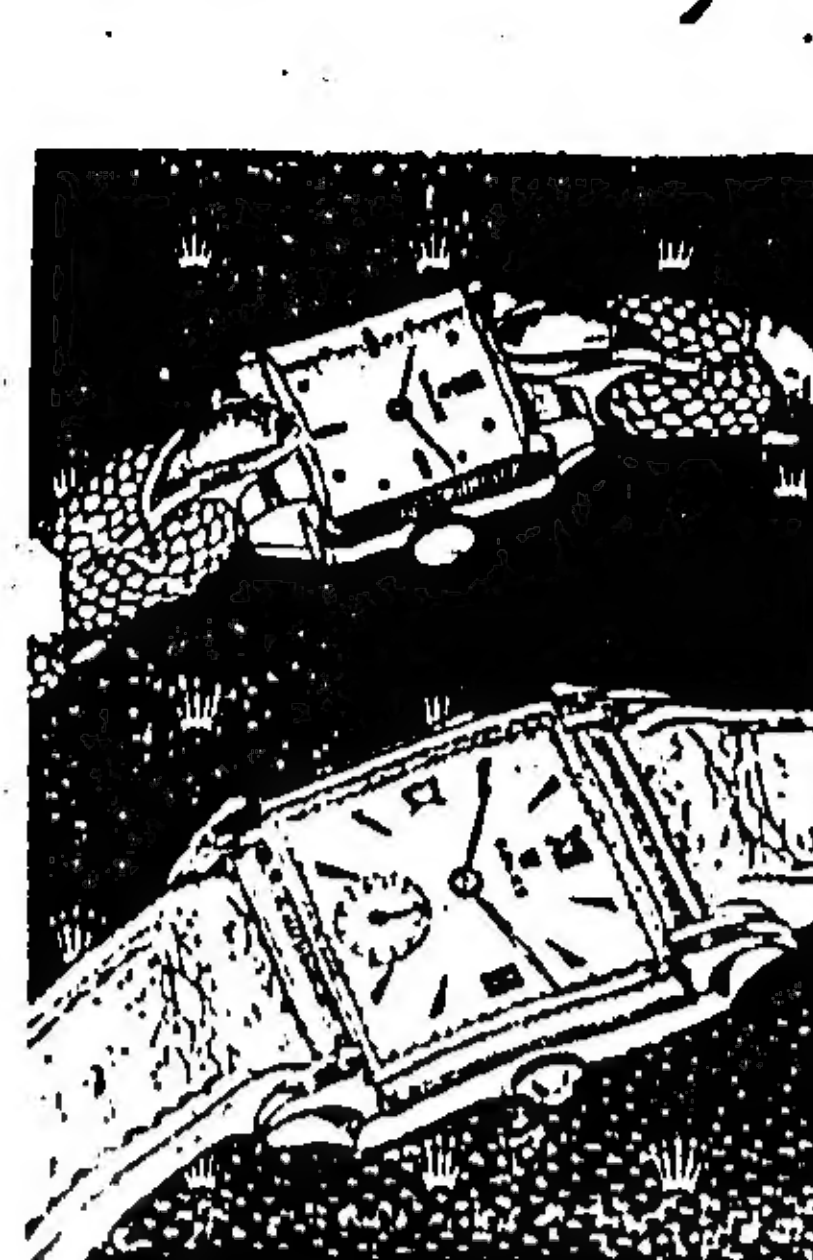
But something more is needed than words. Article 4 of the Atlantic Pact declares that "the parties will consult together whenever the territorial integrity, political independence, or security of any of the parties is threatened."

In Greece all of them have been the subject of consistent attack for four years and more under the direct inspiration of Moscow. Greece is today on the verge of collapse, economically and politically. It is common knowledge that Moscow is plotting a Balkan coup, starting with Macedonia and ending in the liquidation both of Tito and of democratic Greece.

The crisis may come this summer. Are we ready? Are we preparing an active policy of intervention, with a joint Anglo-American command and fully integrated effort? This vital round in the struggle must be won.

Unless an effective Mediterranean pact can be brought rapidly into being, there is real danger of the whole Atlantic Pact being outflanked. If that happens it will prove no better than another Maginot Line.

## Two beautiful timepieces



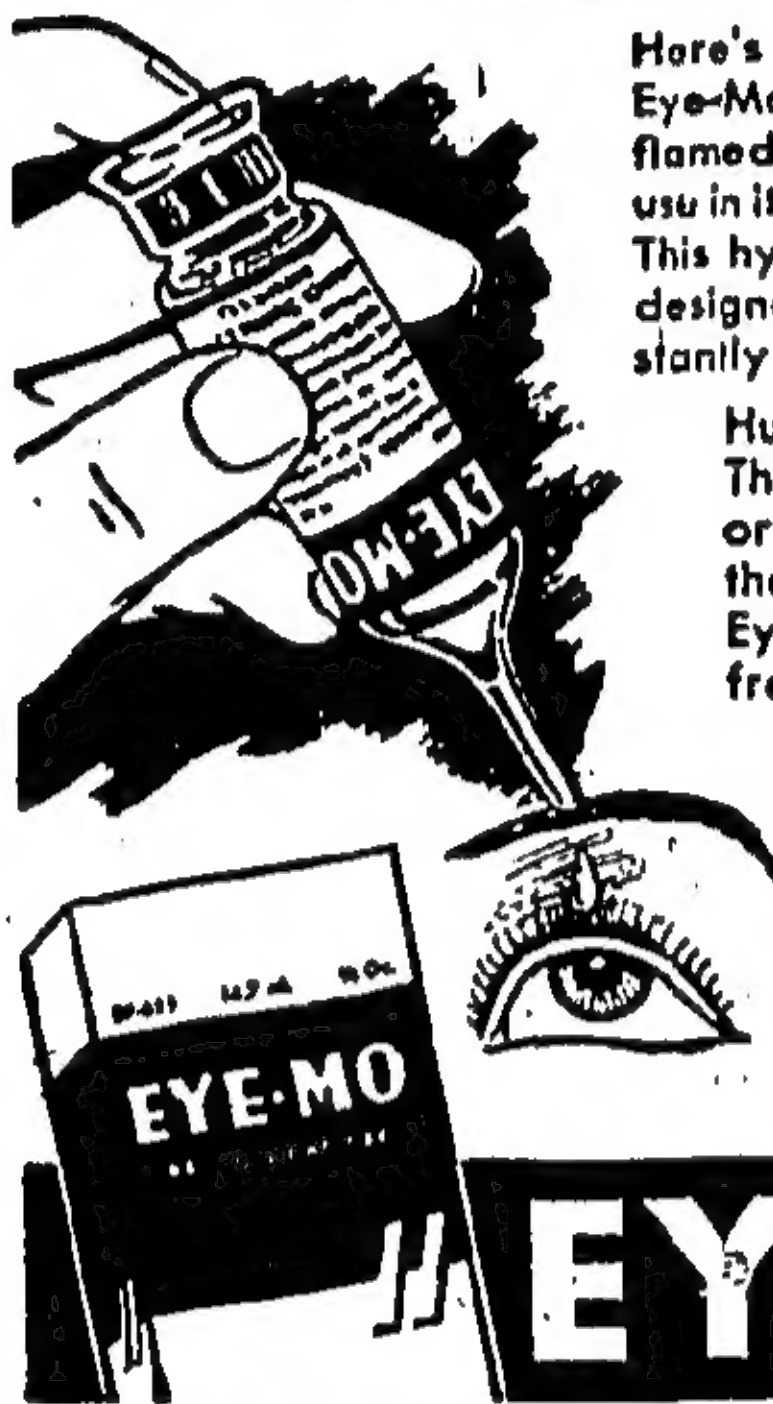
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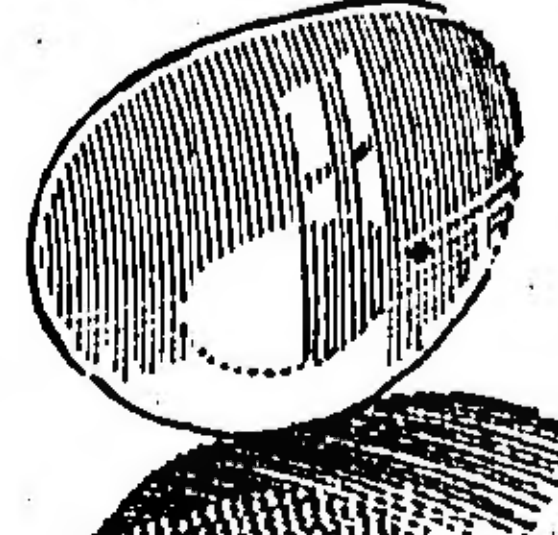
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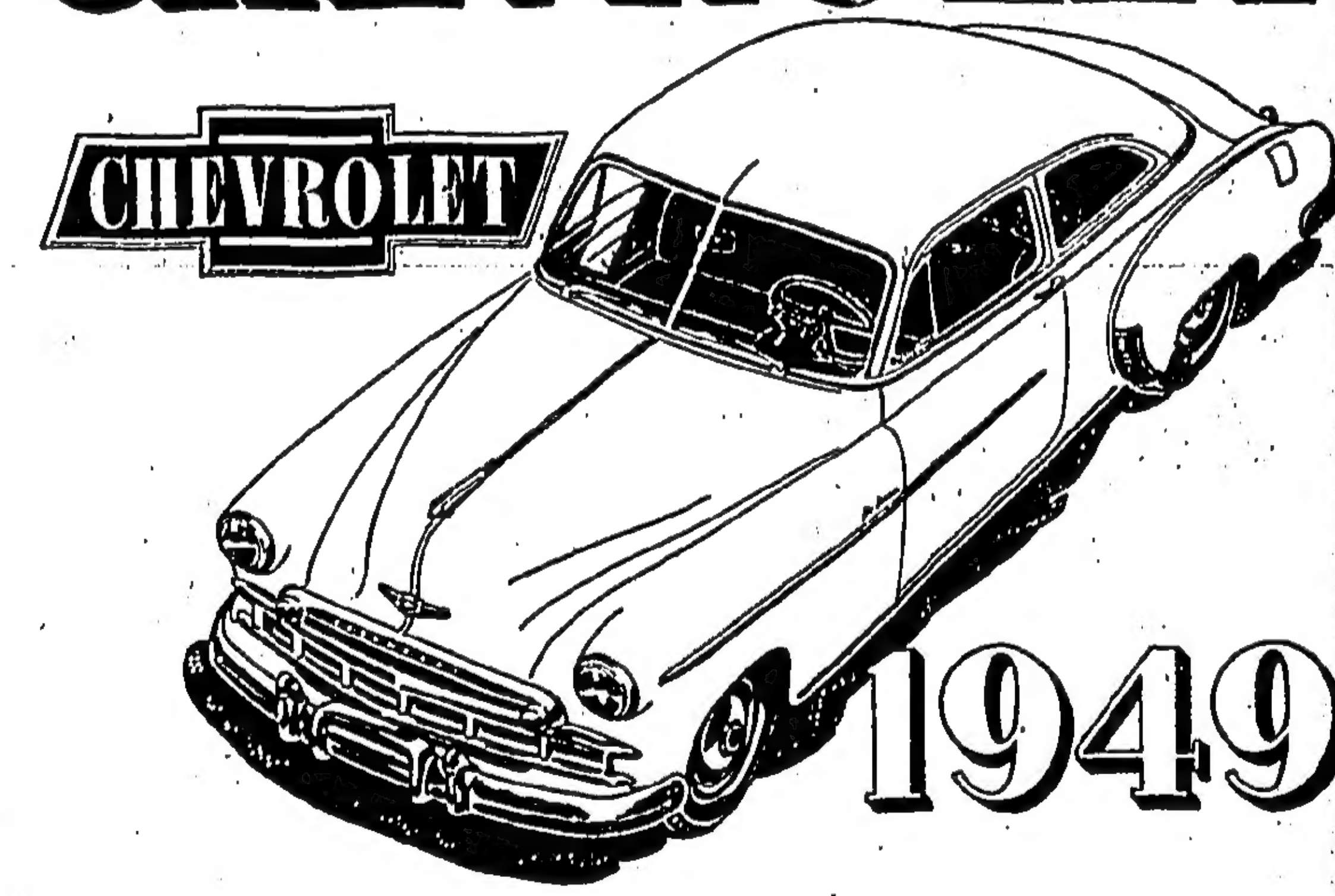


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MURDER MIRRORED  
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On a cold November evening after tea, Mr. M., a Bedfordshire railway worker, pulled two six-pence from his trousers-pocket and sent his children to the cinema. Then he murdered his wife with a cudgel in the cellar.

He took her false teeth and burned them with her clothes in the stove. The body he bundled into a sack, slung it across his bike, and trundled it to the River Lea. Only a grey water-vole saw the splash.

For years of quarrelling and jealous suspicions that to himself at least, were certainties, he now felt revenged.

When his two kiddies ran home, eyes lit with fun of the film entertainment, the kitchen stove fire shone warmly, and daddy sat reading the evening paper.

The body in the sack was found four days later by two early workmen. They saw the sack among the river weeds at Luton.

Local police could not identify the battered victim. They sent for Superintendent Chapman.

Within two hours of receiving their phone call there remained only seven brown leather murder bags on the shelf in the CID Superintendent's office at New Scotland Yard. The eighth bag was on its way to Luton. Chief Inspector "Cherub" Chapman and his assistant Detective-Sergeant Bill Judge, were taking turns to carry it across St. Pancras Station.

Chapman is now Superintendent in charge of the Flying Squad. He is still called "The Cherub"—because of his remarkably amiable, guileless face.

**A Bulldog's Teeth**

Yet sometimes one must remember his other, sterner nickname—"The Bulldog"; for when he sets his teeth in a problem he will never, never let go until the job is solved.

So that November afternoon he went to Luton. Next day I was reminded of his task. The fingerprints of the dead woman came into my office. They had been taken by the Bedfordshire police. We searched through our 10,000,000 records, but could not identify the woman.

So the Cherub had to go the long way round. It took him 12 weeks, by which time his eyelids were like breadcrumbs with lack of sleep, and poor Bill Judge looked a drifting shadow.

Pictures of the murdered woman's face were taken, reconstructed and shown on cinema screens. Photographs went to every town and village—even throughout Eire. Churches and religious groups received batches.

Six families claimed the face as a "missing relative." Each was genuine in the belief—all were wrong.

Cherub Chapman sat on the edge of his boarding-house bed in Luton, smoked cigarettes, and grimly wondered.

The woman had no teeth. He sent impressions of the gums to every dentist in Britain. "Search

your records," he said. It was a long shot. It failed.

Weeks had gone. He went back to the Yard. "Sounds hopeless—d'you want to give it up?" his superior asked, and, because of his brilliant record, added: "We know you've done everything you can."

"Give me another month," said the Cherub.

He went back to Luton. The Bedfordshire police stamped their

books and turned up overcoat collars. They knew it meant more searches, plodding far into the winter night.

"Search every dust-bin; search every rubbish-tip. Dig up every recently filled-in bomb-hole and sift the earth," said Chapman.

Each scrap of feminine clothing that could be found was traced to its former owner.

"Search the rag-shops. Search the second-hand shops. Search the market stalls," said Chapman. He went from house to house through Luton. "Have you seen this woman?" he asked, showing the photograph.

"Never Seen Her," He Said

At one house the door was answered by a powerfully-built railway worker in his shirt sleeves. Children were playing in the back-yard. A black-and-white dog stood on the step with his master.

Chapman showed the man the photograph. The man inspected it stolidly and shook his head.

"Never seen her," he said. Nor, apparently, had his neighbours.

Chapman descended the three red brick steps, watched by man and dog, and continued from door to door.

To his superiors at the Yard he begged: "Give me another week." They agreed. The search went on.

Finally, with bluff sympathy, his superiors said: "You're tired out, man. Take a rest. We can shelve the inquiry for a while. Nobody can do the impossible."

Said Chapman: "Give me another two days."

It was on the second of those days, with bags-packed in the front-hallway of their Luton boarding-house and Home Office railway warrant in his wallet for the journey to London, that Cherub Chapman saw the black-and-white dog again.

It was scratching eagerly at some loose earth where tins and debris had been thrown on waste land.

Chapman and Judge blinked heavy eyes, watched. The dog had found a scrap of cloth. It shook the filthy rag, pretending it was a rat. Then it trotted off.

Chapman shouted: "Grab that

dog, Bill!" They plodded in pursuit. The dog frisked ahead to the house with the three red brick steps where the railway worker lived.

A girl playing on the steps saw the two men after her dog, and obligingly wrenched from its mouth the sudden rag. "Is this yours— is this what you want?" she asked.

The Cherub nodded and took it. His face had gone bloodless and his skin crispened. Every hair on his scalp bristled like brush-wire.

The schoolgirl who looked up at him was the image of the murdered woman, as she must have looked in life.

The two men turned away, clutching their shreds of cloth. It was a sleeve torn from a woman's coat. Faintly, on the inside, was a dry-cleaning's stamp.

They found the cleaner's shop, and stood while he turned up his ledgers.

"Here—yes." The dry-cleaner ran his chemical-stained finger along a written: "Mrs. M."

The Cherub went back to the house with the red brick steps. The same white-sleeved railway worker answered his knock.

"My wife?" he said. "Why— Mrs. M. has gone to stay with friends in London. How long ago?"

Oh, quite a bit since. She writes me regularly—see! He pulled a handful of creased letters from his pocket.

They had Hampton postmarks. One was only a few days old. The woman in the River Lea had been dead for 14 weeks. So...

**Three Months To Hide Traces**

But the Cherub remembered how his scalp had prickled when he saw Mr. M.'s daughter.

He walked to a telephone. "Get me the Fingerprint Department at the Yard," he said. "He knew, was quicker than yet another 'missing woman' search in Hampton."

Next morning Superintendent Fred Cherrill and I climbed from the Humber police car that had carried us and our portable fingerprint laboratory to Luton.

The Cherub met us. "Did you bring floodlights?" he asked.

"No, it's lit only by gas-lanterns."

We needed. We'd brought everything.

"We've brought a copy of the river woman's fingerprints, too," I said. "If we find any that look like hers in M's house we can put you out of your agony quickly."

We started in the kitchen. But for three months Mr. M. had been shifting every trace of his wife from that house. Even the unworldliest crockery on the remotest top shelf glistened from recent washing.

No fingerprints.

We took down the pictures—a wedding photograph; two lithographs of country scenes. There was no dust on them. The frames had been wiped clean.

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What's Happening  
Inside Yugoslavia

By DAVID LEE

As Spring slowly creeps across the uneasy map of Europe, the eyes of the world are again upon the Balkans, and Marshal Tito's Yugoslavia.

What is happening right now behind the Iron curtain inside Yugoslavia?

I have just spent a week trying to find out by talking to Yugoslavs who have in the past few

(Last year Yugoslavia sent to Albania alone 25,000 tons of wheat and one and a half million pairs of shoes).

Life is still grim in Yugoslavia, even when compared to British austerity standards. In Slovenia recently, housewives received their first meat ration (four ounces a week) in six months.

Smokers have no such worries. Cigarettes of Balkan tobacco are cheap and plentiful. If you like them, and Yugoslavs do.

Yugoslavia's direct need at present is industrial machinery and equipment. Travellers report newly-constructed factories in many parts of the country standing empty, awaiting machinery.

There is the "Litostroj" Iron Works at Ljubljana; machine factories in Zagreb, Belgrade and Sarajevo; an aluminium plant near Ptuj (Slovenia), as well as oil wells near Kutina (Croatia) and at least three hydro-electric plants awaiting machinery and equipment.

There are important potential orders here for the West—when Tito finally realises that he has been irrevocably excommunicated by Moscow.

The Yugoslav Army is an reservist behind Tito. Its estimated strength is 30 divisions, including armoured divisions. Numbering 250,000 men, it is second in Eastern Europe only to the Red Army, and larger than its neighbours' total forces.

The number of deserters has been comparatively small, and these have mostly been officers trained in Moscow and dyed-in-the-wool Communists.

Yugoslavia's new heavy industry—which a few months ago was manufacturing tractors—is now engaged completely in war production.

**For Fortifications**

The Iron Factory at Jesenice (Slovenia) is today turning out armour plating (10 to 15 centimetres thick) which is being used to build fortifications, not at the frontiers as one might think, but in the heart of the country.

Strongholds are being constructed in the wild hills of Bosnia, Herzegovina and South West Serbia where, in the event of invasion, Tito and his followers might hold out for months, if not years, as they did in these regions against the Germans.

Inside Yugoslavia there is little organised opposition against Tito. Some of the old-time Communist leaders obediently followed the Cominform line, but most of them have been removed from public office in wide-spread purges (especially in Macedonia and Serbia).

Meanwhile Yugoslavia's vast socialist experiment goes on—the industrialisation and modernisation of a primitive agricultural country.

Youth of Yugoslavia continues to back Tito's experiment enthusiastically, even though the Cominform attack has forced him to abandon the Five-Year Plan.

Hundreds of thousands of young workers are daily engaged building such projects as the new Belgrade, the 400,000-horse-power hydro-electric plant on the Neretva river, the Zagreb to Belgrade highway, and the new capital of Montenegro, Titograd.

It is anyone's guess what will happen inside Yugoslavia within the next few weeks, say the refugees and travellers from across the Iron Curtain.

But, unless Russia makes an unlikely volte-face and takes Tito back into the Communist fold, Yugoslavia must turn eventually towards the West.



Last week's picture of Marshal Tito, addressing a congress in Belgrade.—Associated Press photo.

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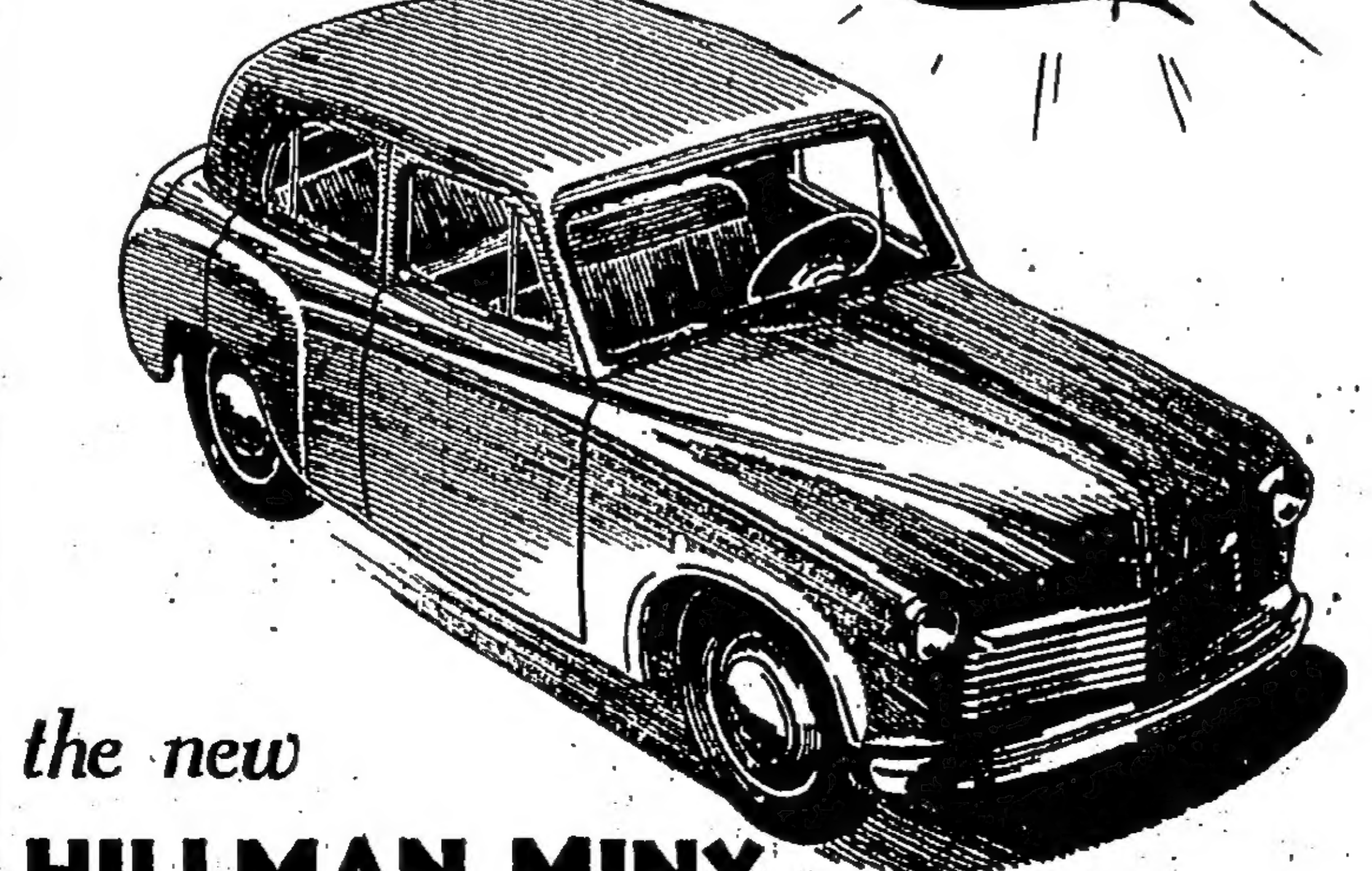
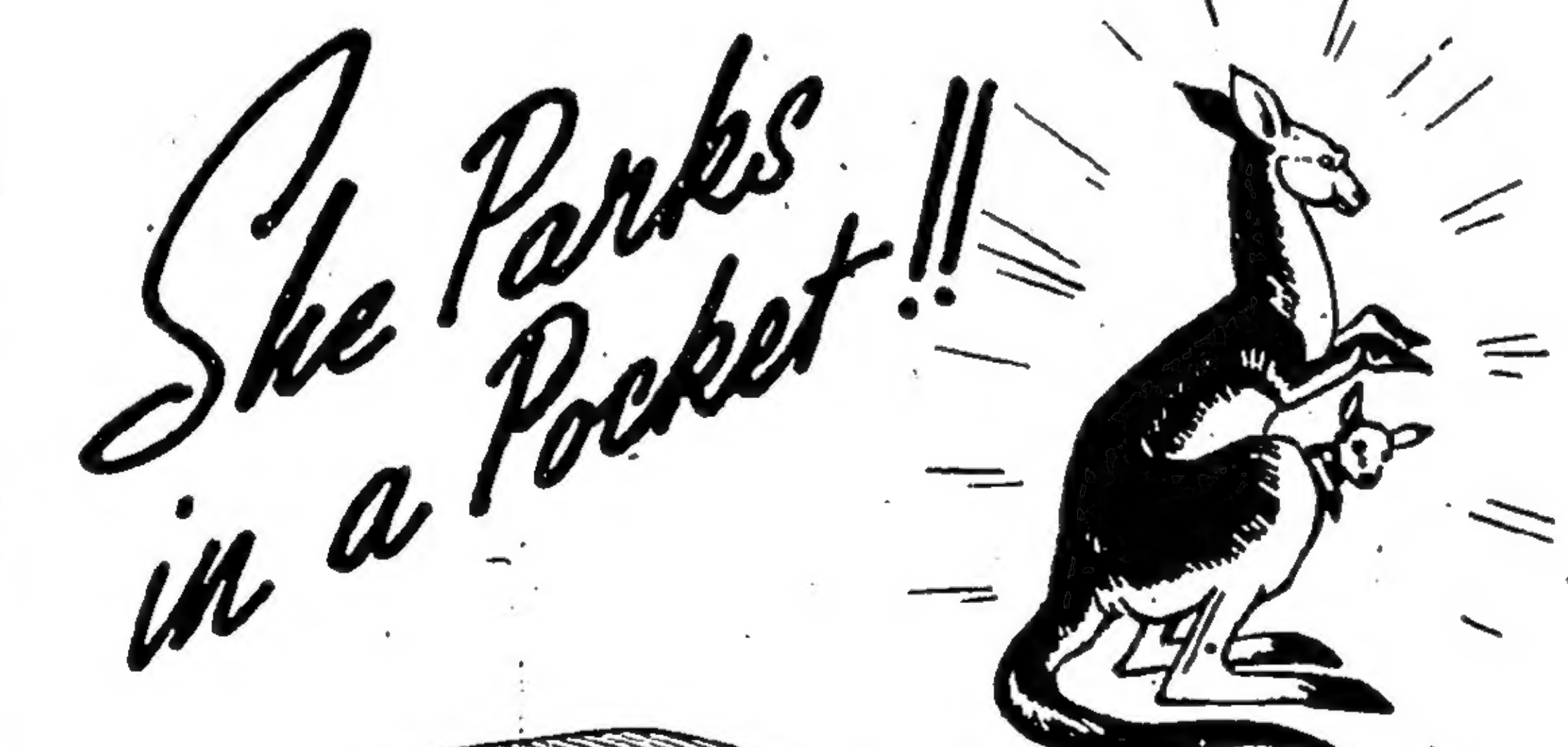
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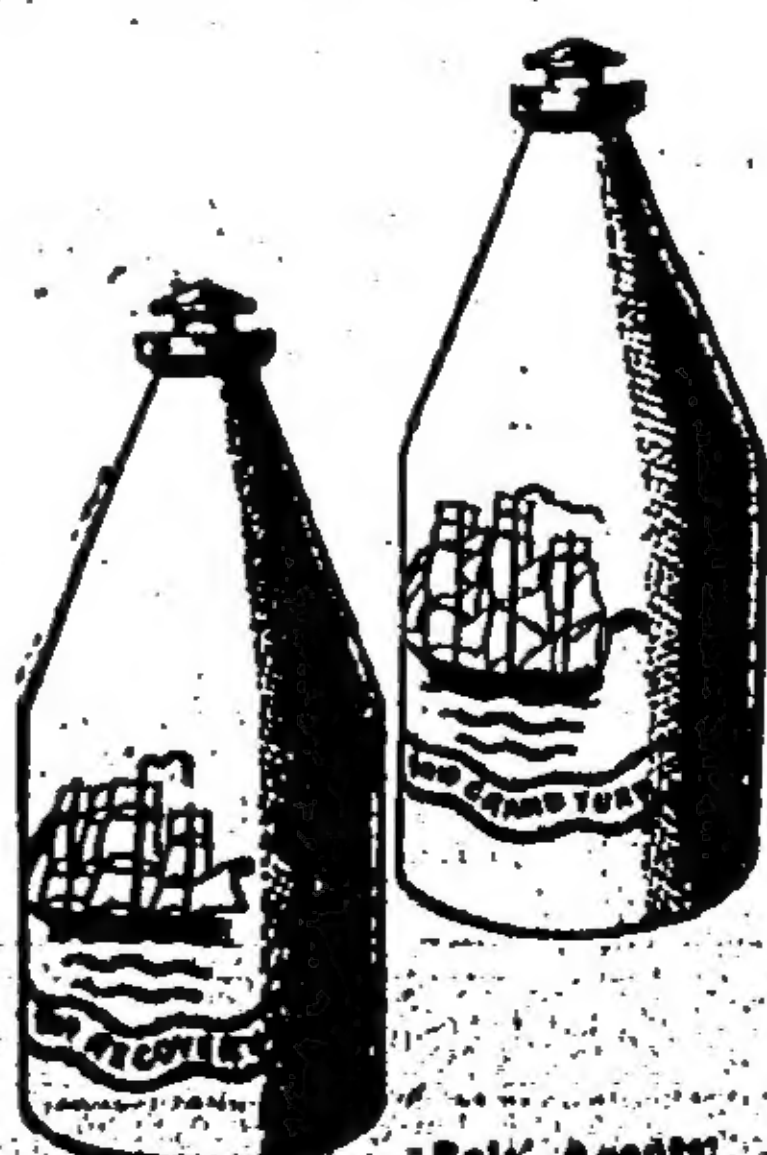
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# CROWD'S THREAT TO COMMUNIST LEADER

## Tribute To Yangtse Dead

London, April 22. Guests at the annual luncheon of the Norwegian Chamber of Commerce stood for a minute in silence today as a tribute to the British naval men killed in China. Mr. Frederik Holst, President of the Chamber, said: "The Norwegians have followed with great admiration and sympathy the recent events in China. We congratulate those men who, unflinchingly and so courageously, stood up for the traditions of the Royal Navy and for the principles we so admire."

## BRITONS IN ANGRY MOOD

London, April 22. Britain is seething with anger because of the Chinese Communist attacks on British warships in the Yangtse, but there appears to be little that Britain can do.

None of the great powers—not even Russia—recognises the Chinese Communist regime as the government. Thus a diplomatic protest appears to be unlikely. And there is no chance of collecting damages.

Observers say that Britain apparently has the choice of shooting it out with the Communists or getting its men out of the fighting zone.

While nobody seriously considers major military action, the idea of retreating before the Chinese Reds is almost as distasteful because Britain feels free to be on the Yangtse and because a loss of prestige would result.

**We Were Right**  
A Foreign Office spokesman said British warships clearly have a right to sail the Yangtse. Under international law, foreign warships may sail the inland waters of a country if the home government gives permission.

In this case the Nanking Government had agreed to ship movements. A Government source said the Cabinet will discuss the situation on Monday and a Government statement will probably be made in the House of Commons on Tuesday.—United Press

## High Blood Pressure Kills Men & Women

Twelve as many men suffer from high blood pressure, which is a mysterious disease that starts about the time of change of life and is the real cause of such heart trouble and later, of cerebral strokes. Common symptoms of high blood pressure are: Nervousness, headache, dizziness, loss of memory, short breath, pain in heart, palpitation, poor sleep, loss of memory, easily excited, fear and worry. If you suffer any of these symptoms, don't delay treatment a single day, because your life may be in danger. Hypox, a new medical discovery, reduces high blood pressure, with the first dose, takes a heavy load off the heart, and makes you feel years younger. In a few days Get Hypox from your chemist today. It is guaranteed to make you feel strong in money back.

# Indignation Over Yangtse Attacks

Dartmouth, April 23. An enraged mob drove Britain's Communist leaders, Harry Pollitt, to cover in a house here last night after breaking up a political meeting where he discussed the Chinese Communist shelling of four British warships.

Pollitt took refuge in the house after police snatched him to safety from the meeting. He was still marooned there two hours later while the police attempted to restore order.

One member of the crowd—Mr. F. Akhurst, who lost his son, John Cecil Akhurst, aged 39, in Consort had given Pollitt a rope and a note suggesting that he hang himself. The crowd burned the Red flag which draped the speakers' platform.

After Pollitt ducked into the house, fist fighting broke out between his followers and members of the mob, estimated by the police at about 1,000.

People surrounded the house shouting: "Your name should be Pollittki!" and "We will be fighting the Russians before we are finished."

Dartmouth, a navy town, is the site of the Royal Naval Academy. Feelings ran high here over the shelling of the British warships in the Yangtse.

**Crowd's Temper**  
When the atmosphere at the meeting became threatening, police grabbed Pollitt and hurried him away up a side street.

The incidents here constituted the most dramatic reaction in Britain to the attacks on the British naval vessels. The temper of the crowd at the meeting became evident when Pollitt suddenly cut short a speech on Communist Party policy and said he would answer questions.

Someone shouted: "What about Amethyst?" The reference was to the British sloop shelled by the Chinese Communists. The crowd, which had clustered around Pollitt, then began chanting the song "Slow Boat to China."

"What would you do if you were on Amethyst?" a questioner insisted. Pollitt replied: "I should do exactly as our British boys are doing at this moment—I would ask the same question as many of you are asking, what was Amethyst doing there?"

**"Judas Iscariot"**  
Then a man who lost a son in the Yangtse fighting broke through and showed the rope and a note at Pollitt. The police said the note read:

"Judas Iscariot was presented with one of these and told to invite you to do likewise. Signed, C. F. Akhurst, father of one of the boys murdered on the Yangtse."

The Communist shelling was denounced by Viscount Hall, First Lord of the Admiralty, as "an unprovoked attack deliberately carried out for what purpose we have yet to learn."

He made the charge in a speech at Cardiff. He said Britain has kept a naval vessel in the Chinese river at Nanking for some time for the purpose of giving some security to British people and for the purpose of communication.

**Difficult To Answer**  
The Foreign Office admitted it had not told Chinese Communists about the river trip of the sloop Amethyst before shore batteries

# RUSSIANS PLAN TO ATTACK

Biloxi, Mississippi, April 22.

Retired Lieutenant-General Ira Eaker said in a speech today: "Russia plans to attack our country when her dictator thinks he can win."

He added that the United States never stood in greater peril than it does today. He declared that the Russians took great pains to make certain that all United Nations efforts for peace failed.

Admitting that the might be accused of being a warmonger, General Eaker said one reason he retired as Air Force commander was so he could "call a spade a spade, a Communist a Communist and a traitor a traitor, without fear of embarrassing the War Department or Congress."

He said that the Red menace is on the march in the East and West. Stalin is following Hitler's Mein Kampf "chapter by chapter, verse by verse," he said.—United Press.

## Greek Rebel Peace Plea

Rome, April 22. The rebel Greek radio, heard in Trieste, was reported yesterday to have broadcast an appeal to the United Nations for peace in Greece.

The guerrillas promised "the greatest concessions" in order to bring about peace "although the guerrilla army is invincible." The appeal to the United Nations broadcast the report said, asked "all democrats of the world to unite to bring and end to the fratricidal war in Greece."

The rebel Greek radio repeated the appeal all day and also broadcast it in French. "We are ready to put an end to the war as soon as the possibility of living without fear of death and summary execution is restored in Greece and as soon as the most elementary rights of men are restored," the broadcast said.—Associated Press.

## DEMAND FOR COMPENSATION

London, April 22. The Communist "Daily Worker" today demanded that the Government pay the relatives of the British Navy dead in the Yangtse "incident" special compensation. An editorial, entitled "Needless Deaths," called on the Government to explain why ships were sent up river on the eve of a crucial battle.—United Press

## BRITISH NOTE REJECTED

Sofia, April 22. Bulgaria has rejected a recent British and American note protesting that the Sofia Government had violated the "freedom" clauses of the Peace Treaty.

The Bulgarian reply termed the wording of the notes "unfriendly propaganda against Bulgaria compatible with international usage."—Reuter.

# Anonymous Hero Of The Sloop Amethyst

London, April 23. The Admiralty today paid high tribute to the telegraphist of the battered sloop Amethyst.

"I cannot be grateful enough for his help," said Vice-Admiral Madden in a message quoted by an official of the Admiralty. The announcement added: "The name of the telegraphist cannot be determined."

The "Daily Herald" devoted its top front page bannerline to the "unknown man who keeps his radio going" and its lead story said that, after 48 hours' non-stop sending, the anonymous operator had finally been told to "rest up for an hour or so."—United Press.

## LONDON DEMANDS FOR ACCOUNTING

London, April 22. "The Times," in an editorial today, demands a full explanation and stern account for the shelling of the British ships.

It said: "Grief and anger have been aroused by the loss of British lives on the Yangtse."

"A full explanation and a stern account must be demanded from those responsible for shooting down, without reason or provocation, companies of His Majesty's Ships discharging their routine duties on behalf of British nationals in Nanking."

"The Times" added, however: "More is needed than full amends for the outrage from the Communists. It must be asked insistently why no British contact had been made beforehand with the Communists and why these ships and men had to be put at the Communist advance."

The "Daily Telegraph," carefully comments: "If it is entirely clear the attack on Amethyst by Chinese Communist artillery was unprovoked and indefensible it is also clear that the possibility of such an attack might, and indeed should, have been foreseen."

In Manila, the American-owned "Daily Bulletin" said editorially today: "We have not by any means heard the end of the Communist shelling of British warships on the Yangtse River."

"The Bulletin" said the incident was the ugly result of a Chinese civil war and not part of a deliberate invasion of China by alien forces. "On the other hand, there are elements present which could be interpreted as deliberate provocation against a sovereign power."

"The British claim the right to use the Yangtse waterway as a means to protect their own nationals. In some British quarters, it will be difficult to establish the belief that the whole business was not an outright act of defiance, probably engineered from Moscow. That, however, would be hard to prove."—United Press.

London, April 22. Thieves described as "armed bands" got away with about £1,000,000 worth of British Army stores in Egypt and Malaya during 1947-48, the Army Appropriation Account revealed today.—Reuter.



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## Fireside Echoes

# EARLY DAYS IN FOOCHEW

By WILLIAM M.S. BRAND

My friend, have you heard of the town of Foochow, on the banks of the River Siao? Where blooms the Walt-a-white flower fair? Where the Some-Thing-Or-Other scent the air? And the Soft-Go-Ensus grow? It lies in the valley of What's-the-Use.

In the Province of Let-it-Slide, its streets are paved with discarded dreams, its mansions lit with brilliant schemes, its the home of the reckless I-don't-Care, and there lived feeling is native there. Where the Gine-Ups abide.

The above lines appeared 70 years ago in the Foochow "Sketch", which appeared regularly on the breakfast table every Saturday, much to the amusement of the gentler sex, as it was a forum of wit for a large circle of contributing editors, largely composed of dashing young chaps overjoyed with the exuberance of spirits and the bounteous living of those days, who were not slow to find the paper the one and only channel to get their own back on their editors and in this form of safety-valve they ever found the publishers ready collaborators. The paper was modelled on the lines of the celebrated "Pink Ur", even to its salmon-pink hue. It was largely taken up with Society and Sports News with the editorials wittily cracking on the stewardship of the Race Club, the Port Doctor's ruthless pinnace bearing the delightful title of "Torpedoes", the latest style in ladies among the new arrivals, or the possible reason for the gloomy countenance of some tea magnate. Amusing advertisements adorned all four pages, especially both sides of the front page, whilst the third page invariably carried a wood-cut caricature of some local celebrity. Strange to say, amid this jocoseness were to be found excellent racing tips and an occasional worthy hint as to the tea market, cumbersome statistics concerning which were left to individual firms' weekly tea letters. The "Sketch" was extremely popular and enjoyed a circulation of some 200 copies a week and I think this, coupled with the fact it was produced as a non-profit enterprise, explains the long life it enjoyed of 20 years odd.

### "Express" Information

The medium of informing the public at large in those days was by means of an "Express". With the exception of announcements concerning the arrivals and departures of vessels, these were printed on white paper. Coloured papers were reserved for firms carrying shipping agencies: the first being the American firms of Russell & Co., forerunners of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Co., who adopted orange, the colour adopted in later years for P & O announcements. When the Prince of Wales of Jardine, Matheson & Co. established themselves some years after Russell & Co., they adopted blue, doubtless, in

keeping with their house flag (St. Andrew's cross on a blue field) and so on until in later years varied shades of the principal colours had to be found, and we baffle any firm trespassing on another's colour, for not only did it call for a letter of apology but also the recall and reprinting of the offending circular. It is of interest to note that the use of these coloured continued right up to the outbreak of the late Pacific War.

About the year 1881 the "Foochow Echo" made its bow as a serious contribution toward the life of the foreign community, with which publication the veteran American missionary and sinologist, Lyman P. Peet, was closely associated. Some years later the Rev. Peet established the first daily newspaper to be printed in Foochow in the Chinese language, the "Foochow Times", with which

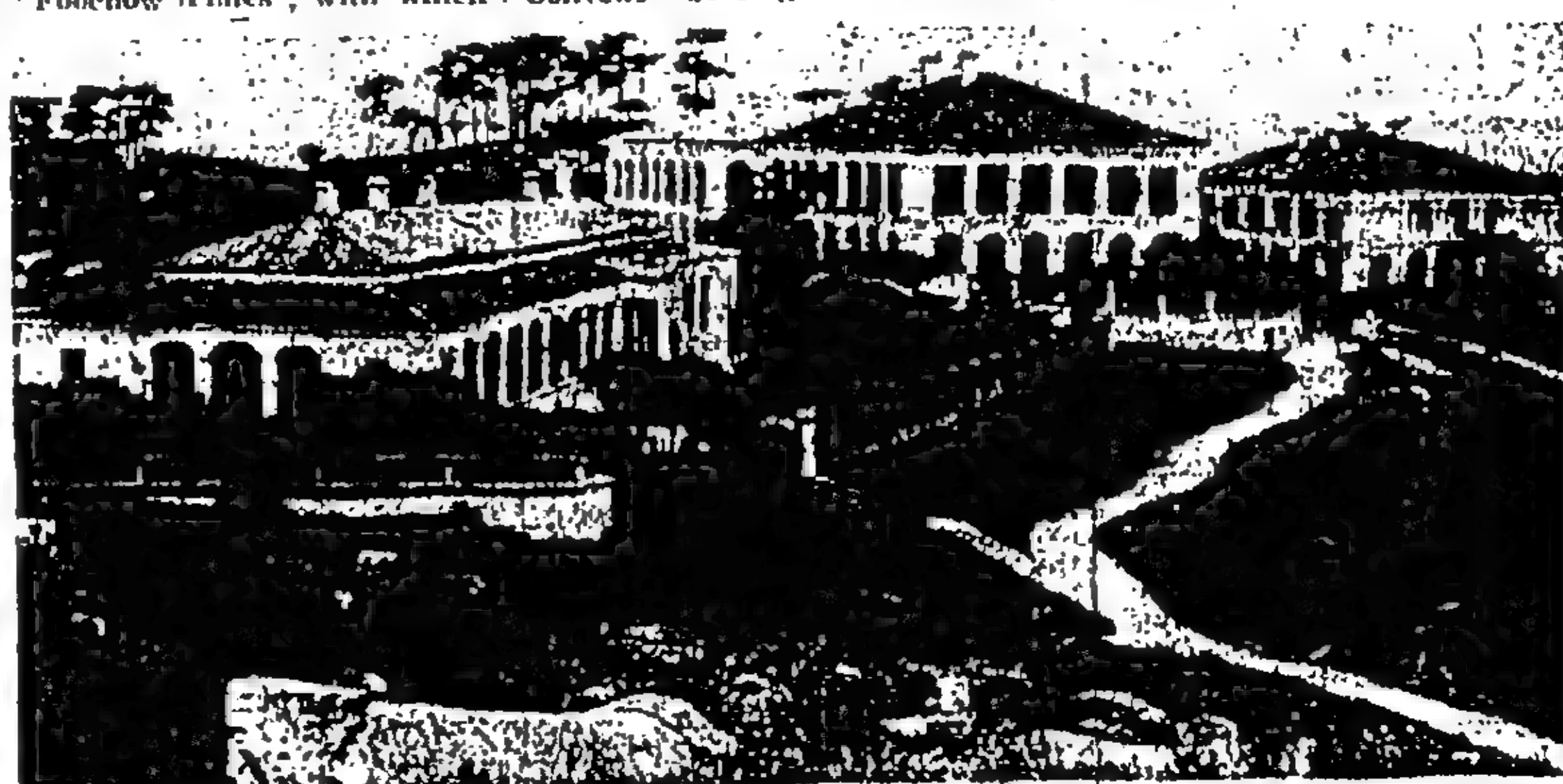
The "Foochow Echo" did somewhat laboriously some 30 years ago and the port has been without its foreign publication since.

### Barter Trade

Prior to the opening of the port to foreign trade by the Treaty of Nanking in the year 1842, an occasional foreign vessel called with a cargo of piece goods which were usually exchanged for tea and other native produce. This barter trade appears from old records to have been carried out, first, at the mouth of the river at what Admiralty charts now show as Woga Anchorage, some five miles further up the river, at the town of Kwang-tao and, lastly, at Pagoda Anchorage. This is borne out too by the extensive foreign cemetery lying on the North bank of the river immediately below the French Convent at Pagoda Anchorage,

to the skipper of the next vessel out-bound. However, with the intense competition of those days, no got cargo from the Far East home first, as witness the Clippa Races of later years as superbly by Lubbock in his book, "China Clippers". It does not surprise to find many recorded instances of the skipper of the receiving vessel declining the request to receive aboard at the last moment a batch of such unworkable and thus, not many years later, eventually tied to the building of an iron-barred stone keep or prison situated in the basement of the building on the knoll overlooking (Mang) Village, a building later to become known as the British Vice-Consulate. Doubtless, too, many a deep seaman in the very early days found himself caged and on an exhibit at one of the main gates of Foochow City.

Actually very little is known concerning those early days. Portuguese traders claim the first contact with Foochow, but it is



This picture, taken in the year 1880, shows the handsome residences of well-to-do tea merchants during the heyday of Foochow. (Copyright by Mr. Brand.)

he was connected up to the time of his retirement some 20 years ago.

### First Foreigner

Both the "Sketch" and the "Foochow Echo" were managed by merchants in their spare time and set up by the Foochow Printing Press, a foreign-owned business established in 1864, that in exactly 20 years after the first foreigner, Mr. C. Tradescant Lay, came to Foochow to reside. Mr. Lay was appointed British Consul by Sir John Davis, Governor of Hong Kong, June, 1844, and was the father of Mr. Walter Lay, Commissioner of Customs at Foochow in the nineties.

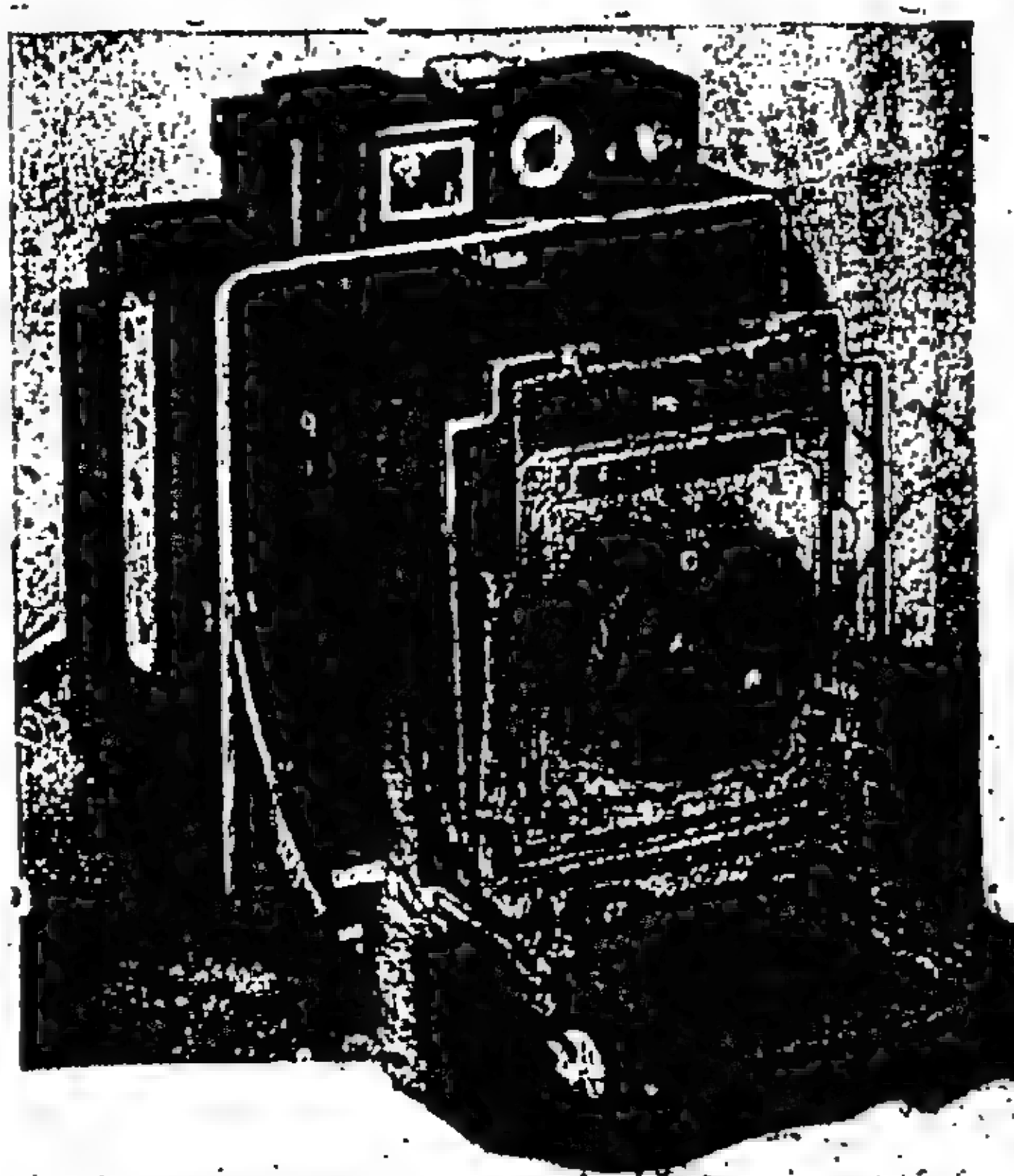
The first type used by the Printing Press were meticulously cut in local hard wood, specimens of which, in perfect condition, I made use of some 10 years ago in publishing a humorous magazine for grown-ups, "Foo-Foo", in aid of orphan children under the wing of local foreign Missions. To be able to use such type after a lapse of 75 years is certainly a tribute to the local craftsmanship of that time.

wherein may still be soon tombstones of the early foreigner in many before that time, but whose legends have become effaced with the passage of the years. Here the chief cause of death appears to have been drowning, with the ages between 21 and 35 years, and listing such exciting names of sailing craft as, "Laughing Wave", "Cathay", "Maiden Queen", "Serica", "Water Witch", "Zetel", and "Clara Sayera", amongst a score of others. It may be safely presumed that many of these young men fell by the wayside, for I have been privileged to rummage through the ancient archives of the British Consulate and come across the most lurid accounts of grog-shops, opium-dens, money-exchangers and the what-nots and brawls of any water-front, situated in the shadow of the Stone Pagoda itself and the nearby village now called Mamoi.

### Intense Competition

A number of these documents concern deserters and those who missed their vessel's sailing, the latter usually being handed over

extremely doubtful if their vessels ventured crossing the bar at the mouth of the river. It is far more likely that through contacts at Amoy they were able to meet officials at points along the coast between Amoy and Foochow and thus exchange cargoes, rather than explore unknown land-locked waters. Again, the seas about the Fukien coast were infested with pirates in those days, so it is most unlikely these first trading vessels set out from their bases alone. Evidence that they did visit the North Fukien coast is shown by mysterious graves on several islands off the Liongkon Bay, notably Tungyung and Hailan to the South, which are today venerated by the simple fisher-folk inhabitants who, when questioned as to whom they are making their offerings of grave-money, clothes, food and wine at the seasonal festivals, claim these venerated spots to be the graves of good men with yellow hair and blue eyes whom their grandfathers lived and worked with. Did, then, many of these early mariners stop ashore, settle down and rear families? It would appear so. Close on the heels of the Portuguese arrived Dutch vessels and, as far as known, the first foreigner actually to visit Foochow, was a Dutchman, Van Hoorn, in the year 1664, who passed through on a special embassy from the Dutch government to Peking to petition leave for Dutchmen to trade with China, in Chapter LXXIII of his Travels, Marco Polo mentions Foochow whilst on his way overland to Zaitun, now known as Chuanchow, on the coast midway between Hingchow and Amoy; but does not mention actually visiting Foochow City.



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## Two Wheel-Chairs Lead The Way

By OLGA FRANKLIN

Two young men drove up in their cars to the Savoy Hotel. The hosts were tall and very attractive, the guests distinguished, the party gay. But even in the lobby of the hotel you could see this was going to be an evening out of the common run.

From their cars the young men (one a former Coldstream Guard and the other from the 11th Hussars) transferred themselves to wheel-chairs and went, to meet their guests, who included the Minister of Health.

Julian Holland, Hilbert (Guards) and Patrick Stewart (Hussars) like to be called plain "Mister" and, wheeling themselves among the guests, explained why.

Life, in their opinion, is still good for the chair-borne ex-Servicemen wounded by a bullet, but for the civilian it is harder than we know.

### Fighting Again

The two ex-Servicemen have set themselves the task of knowing what life is like for the civilians who, like themselves, are suffering from any form of paralysis. They have taken up arms again in defence of the civilian.

This party was to launch the new campaign under the title of the National Association for the Paralyzed. So announced: Sir Hugh Griffiths, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the British Council for Rehabilitation of which this Association is a department.

He knows this battle will last longer than the one at Maroth, North Africa, where in 1943, within a fortnight, both men were deprived of the use of their legs by enemy bullets in the spine.

A round table conference was held in July, 1942. The two young men were summoned by representatives of the Ministries and voluntary organizations.

The Association was set up with headquarters at 32 Shaftesbury-avenue, London, and these aims were declared:

- (1) To collect and disseminate all kinds of information essential to the well-being of the paralyzed. This will include technical information and advice on the benefits and help to be derived from Government departments, local authorities and voluntary organizations.
- (2) The collection of facts and figures about the numbers, problems and needs of paralyzed people to make recommendations to statutory or voluntary bodies engaged in planning for the welfare of the disabled.
- (3) The furthering of special schemes for which money will be needed.

### Fair Deal

There are between 30,000 and 40,000 paralyzed cases registered with the Ministry of Labour. But the aim of the Association is to track down those (there may be hundreds or thousands) who are unregistered, unknown and lost.

"You see, we got a fair deal," says Patrick, "we got a pension, and attendance allowance, a car, priority housing, priority everything."

"The civilian gets a lot from his new social legislation, even though not quite as much as us. And we don't see why ex-Servicemen should be able to take motor-chairs on the railways free and civilians shouldn't or why civilians shouldn't get some income-tax rebate if they have to have an attendant. After all, we got a special allowance."

They also want to tackle some of the problems which affect paralyzed ex-Servicemen and civilians alike—permission to stay

in chairs in cinemas, and have centres for sheltered training and employment.

Setting the paralyzed back to work and getting employers to realise that many of them can do a real job is one of their first aims.

The Association is going to fight for these anomalies to be put right. More ambitious still are their plans for the big thing. When funds have been raised they plan to start holiday homes, training centres, employment centres, research.

These two have been away on holidays—sometimes to Paris—and they believe there are others who would like the adventure of a holiday. But there are many more lying in some upstairs bedroom aching for the chance to do some useful work.

### Successes

They know, for instance, that wheel-chairs need improving; that paraplegics need a ground-floor apartment; that they should not be left to despair in a vast, gloomy hospital when they could work for themselves and be independent.

The Association is now to get under way. Already a gift of 25 who has been paralyzed by infarctus panis for the past 10 years has been sent down to Hampshire to train for the next two years at the Valey Textile Printers.

A boy is training to become a watchmaker; an old woman has been moved from a hospital, to a suitable ground-floor apartment. Very few hospitals or rehabilitation centres exist for training the paralyzed disabled; the Association will set up more.

The thing which these two wanted to do for the civilian paralyzed were only a dream until nine months ago.

A son of money was given by an Argentine benefactor to Mr. Churchill with the request that it should be handed over to some charity working for the disabled. Mr. Churchill gave it to the NAP, but the need for funds is great. If they can raise the money they need, then the two young men who are paralyzed will start to move fast.



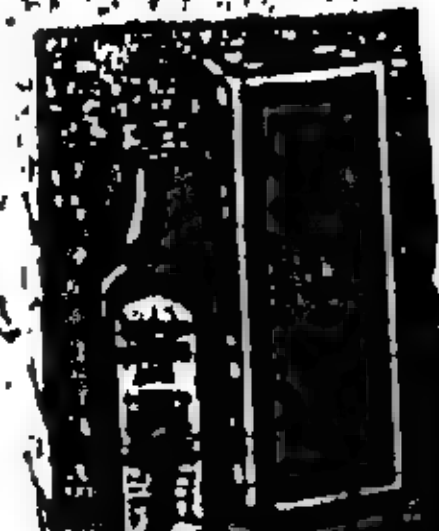
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# CHIANG EXPECTED TO SET UP A REDOUBT ON TAIWAN

## SERIOUS THREAT IN FAR EAST

Washington, April 22. M. Paul Reynaud, a former French Prime Minister, disclosed here today that Chinese Communist troops are continuing to infiltrate into French Indochina to aid the Communist troops there.

"What has happened in China represents the most serious threat to French interests, but it concerns many other countries too," he told a press conference.

"The Communist threat is most serious to Indochina, but there is danger also for Siam, Malaya, Burma, India and the Dutch East Indies," M. Reynaud warned. It is expected that M. Reynaud will discuss the Communist threat in Asia with Mr. Dean Acheson, U.S. Secretary of State, when he visits the State Department later today.—Reuter.

## Plan For Jerusalem

London, April 22. The left wing weekly review, "New Statesman and Nation," today suggested that Jerusalem become the capital of both Israel and Transjordan, the New City going to the Jews and the Old City to the Arabs.

"It is hoped that the quite practical schemes for internationalisation will at last be dropped," it said, referring to the informal peace conference on Palestine which will open at Lausanne next week.

The paper said that there is no reason to believe that a permanent United Nations Commission would protect the Holy Places better than the two nations whose chief invisible export would be the pilgrim trade.—Reuter.

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San Francisco, April 23. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, with practically all of China's Air Force, money and many soldiers, may establish a redoubt on Taiwan as the Red armies sweep the mainland.

There are strong indications that he will receive no more military aid from the United States. Communist attacks on British warships on the Yangtze lead to the conclusion that the Communists have launched their final all-out offensive, ignoring everything except the determination to wipe out both Nationalists and foreign interests from all China.

Some observers believe that if the Nationalists had used the past three months of peace-making gestures to unify their forces, there would have been a good chance of cutting the Communist spearheads which have crossed the Yangtze, creating a long delay which might have nullified international opposition to the Reds.

But there are indications that Chiang decided to let the National Government stand only as a peace front until he could make his own plans.

The former President may use some of his forces for a time in an attempt to keep the Communists out of Shanghai, Amoy, Fuzhou and other South China ports, but there is no prospect of any real Nationalist stand on the mainland South of the Yangtze.

The future of compromise peace efforts is accepted in a disaster. "Dunkirk" for American policy in China, but not as a catastrophe.

American policy for some months appears to have been based on two beliefs:

### Do Nothing

1. That nothing could be obtained by throwing good money and war materials after bad in aiding the Nationalists.

2. That the Communists would have everything their way for two or three years to come.

Demobilization after completion of the conquest will be accepted as a great boon by the people and consumer production will be up. After that China's ancient troubles are expected to return to plague her, and there will be an opportunity for renewal of his ties with the United States.

American policy appears to be to do nothing in the interim which would interfere with taking advantage of the ultimate opportunity.



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CHIANG KAI-SHEK

The decision to abandon Chiang was based on increasingly pessimistic reports over a long period. It might have come earlier but for his record as a wartime ally. Repeatedly he has been accused of ignoring all friendly advice, of bungling of failure to make worthwhile use of American military aid.

This military aid, mostly in outright grants, has totalled more than a billion dollars since the end of the war with Japan. Almost all of it has fallen into the hands of the Communists.

The Communist attacks on British warships in the Yangtze seem to contain no threat of international involvement in the war, such as might have been the case a few years ago. The British Admiralty was very cool in issuing its first communiques on the subject.

### British Interests

The British have large economic interests in China. Far larger than the American, but presumably less than the two billion dollars before the war. The U.S. has, relatively, none—probably less than \$100,000,000 including non-productive properties such as schools. Such so-called properties as the Shanghai Waterworks and Standard Oil installations are actually very largely Chinese-owned.

Most official observers seem to be taking less and less stock in the theory that the Communists may prove conciliatory toward these interests.

It is recognised that the Communist movement in China, because of the very nature of the country, is not quite the same as in Europe, and that it may not adhere strictly to the Cominform line. Yet Communist leaders have been issuing statements conforming very closely to that line as their military successes have increased. Close observers say there is a definite "Moscow crust" on the Communist forces although they don't pretend to know how far it penetrates.

The odds all seem to be that Western influence in China is due for a long black-out.—Associated Press.

### STILL HOPE

New York, April 22. The Bikini atom bomb tests have indicated that half the victims of atomic explosions can be saved by blood transfusion.

This is according to Admiral Ross McIntyre, former Surgeon-General of the United States Navy.—Reuter.

## Protection Of Britons In Burma

Rangoon, April 22. The British Embassy here has sent Mr. Denis Phillips, Vice-Consul, to the Burma oil town of Yenangyuang, 300 miles North of Rangoon, to protect local British interests there.

The situation at Yenangyuang, where pro-Communist White Band Volunteers are in control, is normal. The British-owned Burmah Oil Company have a huge factory, machinery and other valuable property in the oilfield, where several Britons are still on duty. Their families were evacuated to Rangoon a month ago.

Mr. C. F. Featherstone, a British businessman, has been missing since he left here on a visit to Central Burma on April 14. It was officially learned today.—Reuter.

## Glamour To Attract Tourists

London, April 22. Alending British industrialist today advised that Europe build luxury hotels and serve better meals and use glamour to attract the dollar-laden American tourists.

Dr. Edward Beddington, Behrens, textile manufacturer and exporter, said that full exploitation of the potential tourist trade would solve at least 10 per cent of the dollar problem in the Marshall Plan countries. He submitted his tourist programme to delegates from 21 countries gathered here for an economic conference of the European movement.

He warned that Europe will have to start giving travellers a better break. He urged cheaper transportation and hotel rates. He chided British for trying to impose its own austerity on a well-to-do visitor. He noted that British manufacturers get export quotas and said the same principle should apply to hotels.—United Press.

## ISRAELI REPORT ON BERNADOTTE

Tel Aviv, April 22. The Israeli Government has concluded its report on the assassination last year of Count Folke Bernadotte, United Nations Mediator.

A leading Israeli diplomat will leave soon for Stockholm with a copy of the report.—Reuter.

# ALL-OUT ATTACK STARTS IN BURMA

Rangoon, April 23.

Government troops yesterday launched their biggest ever offensive to wrest the railway town of Nyaung-U from the Karen rebels. The rebels captured the town on Thursday.

The Burma Air Force is providing air cover for the Government troops, who are opposed by a rebel force of over 2,000.

The Karens have been harrasing Nyaung-U, which is 90 miles North of Rangoon, since last week-end. They used armoured cars and motorised columns to take the town.

Military observers believe that the present fight is likely to be the decisive one of the campaign. They point out that the rebels are employing their largest number of troops yet in a single battle.

The Burmese War Office announced yesterday that fighting broke out on Thursday, in the temple city of Mandalay, 500 miles North of Rangoon.

The Government troops clashed twice with White Band Members of the People's Volunteer Organisation and with Communists, who broke off the engagements.

The Burmese Army challenge to the White Band PVOs seeking to wrest authority from the Army to fight out in the open expired on Thursday night.

### Train Attacked

Meanwhile, sources reported yesterday that gunmen believed to be White Band PVOs attacked a Union auxiliary force armoured train one mile South of Insein and escaped with arms and ammunition.

Hand-to-hand fighting took place on board the running train between the gunmen and armed guards before the raiders jumped off.

An official communique reported that unknown rebels attacked a passenger train in the Shwabo district, near Mandalay, killing one civilian.

On the South East coast strip, at Tonnasserim, communications were out between Thant and Martaban, opposite Moulmein, when rebels destroyed a railway bridge.—Associated Press.

## MEMORIAL TO CONAN DOYLE

Edinburgh, April 22. A bronze plaque was today unveiled at 11 Picardy Place, Edinburgh, birthplace of the late Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, creator of the great fictional detective, Sherlock Holmes, and a prominent spiritualist.

Major John Doyle, of London, nephew of the author, representing the Doyle family, said: "I am quite sure that he himself knows of this and feels greatly honoured and very happy that this is being done."—Reuter.

## BRITISH VESSEL ASHORE

Buenos Aires, April 22. All but the captain, the second officer and the radio-man abandoned the 7,850-ton British freighter, James Clunies, which was stranded on a sandbank 24 hours, 2,000 metres off Point Mogotes, Argentina.

The Clunies' distress call was received at 2 a.m. today, whereupon fishing boats took off the crew in stormy weather and delivered them at Mar del Plata, near the mouth of the River Plate.

The captain remained on board in order to survey the possibilities of salvage. The Clunies grounded on a sandbank, opening seams and flooding No 2 and 6 holds. Pumps failed and water poured in on 9,000 tons of wheat loaded for delivery to Italy.—United Press.

## MAX REIMANN WANTS UNITY

Berlin, April 21. Max Reimann, West German Communist leader, today suggested an all-German all-party conference to work out a united policy on Germany's future Constitution for presentation to the four-Power occupation powers.

The suggestion was made in a letter to the Social Democrat Party headquarters at Hanover. It followed the Social Democrats' adoption last night of six conditions for a future West German Constitution.

The letter, published by the Soviet-licensed ADN news agency, suggested the joint summoning of an all-German conference which, Herr Reimann claimed, corresponds to the wishes of the German people.

"Germans sincerely long for the unification of the political parties in the country in the decisive questions of the German nation," he said.—Reuter.

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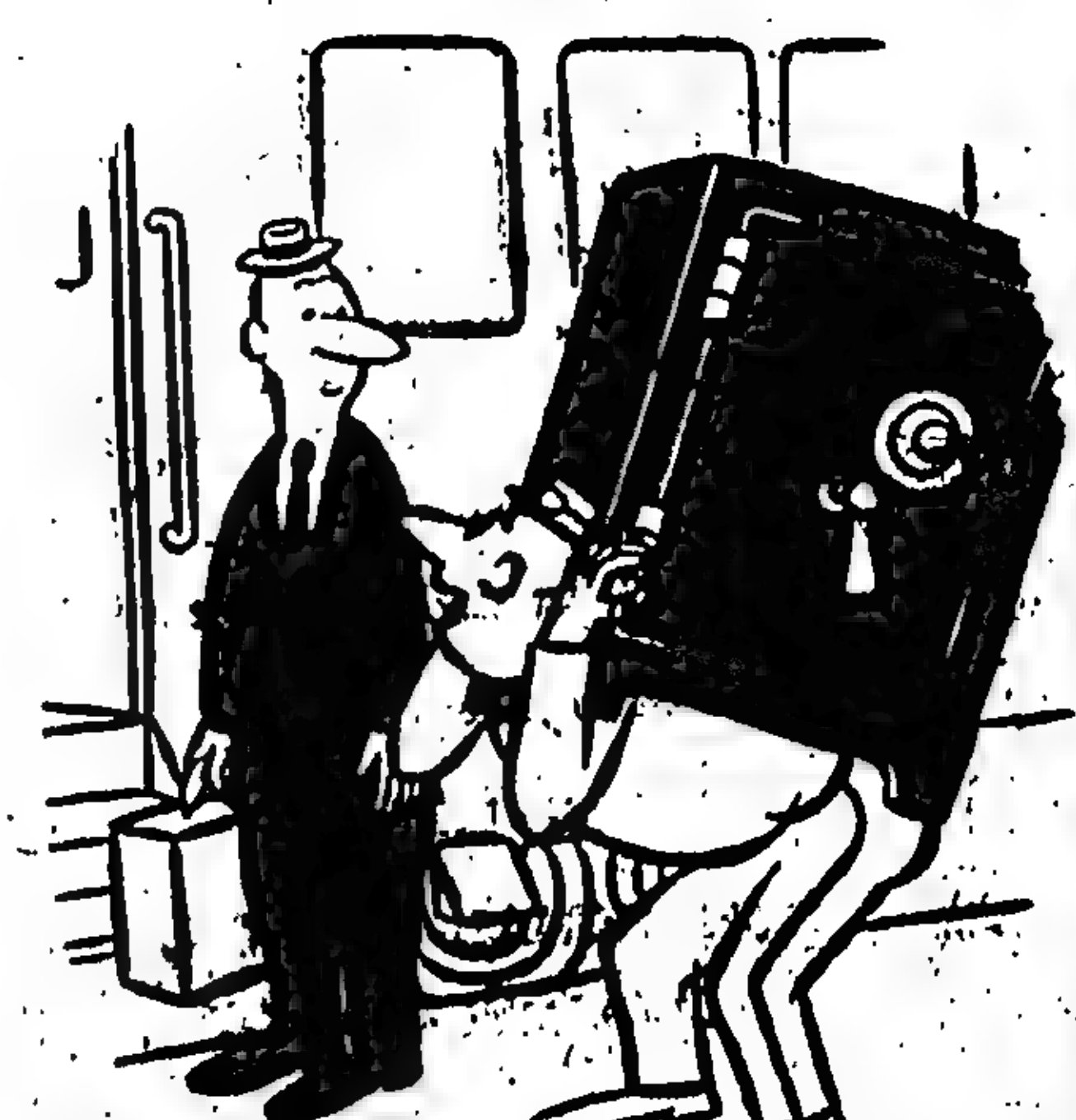
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# SURPRISE MEETING AT COMMONWEALTH TALKS IN LONDON

London, April 22.

The Prime Ministers of five British Dominions held a surprise meeting tonight to discuss the first vital point that has arisen in the London talks on India's future relations with the rest of the British Commonwealth.

The three other Dominion statesmen now in London for the talks were absent from the two-hour meeting in Downing Street.

This followed a secret plenary session of all eight Commonwealth nations, which heard proposals from the Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru.

## TRAGIC ROAD TO NEW WAR

Hamilton, New York, April 22.

Mr. William C. Bullitt, former United States Ambassador to Russia and France, said tonight "It is tragically clear that war is coming to the United States."

The former career diplomat expressed his views in an address prepared for Colgate University's fourth annual series of lectures on human relations.

Mr. Bullitt, who spent 36 years in the State Department, attacked American foreign policy since the last war.

He contended that it had been America's practice "to exhaust our foreign relations to maintain with great nations and small knowledge of fact."

"In consequence," he added, "the road toward peace runs through another valley of death."

"We are indeed at this moment making certain the advent of a third world war by permitting Stalin to add the race and resources of Asia to his war potential," he added.

He said the Roosevelt administration had been termed a "Stalin" could be expected to abandon Soviet Communism for democratic collaboration.

Australia and New Zealand are understood to have followed him with statements stressing the importance of the Crown as a Commonwealth link, thus pin-pointing the problem of keeping India within the Commonwealth after it becomes a republic.

India, Canada (represented by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Lester Pearson) and South Africa (Dr. Daniel Malan) were the three countries that did not attend the later meeting, which was specially called to discuss in detail the Australian and New Zealand points of view on the Royal symbol.

Present were Mr. Clement Attlee (Britain), Mr. Joseph Chifley (Australia), Mr. Peter Fraser (New Zealand), Liaquat Ali Khan (Pakistan) and Mr. D. S. Senanayake (Ceylon).

The next plenary session of the conference will be on Monday afternoon.

Between this morning's conference and tonight's meeting, Prime Minister Nehru had a long talk with Mr. Attlee at 10 Downing Street.

### Crown Link

At this morning's meeting Mr. Nehru spoke at length upon his country's position, indicating India's willingness to co-operate in the Commonwealth if this could be done without prejudice to her republican status and national independence.

The atmosphere of the talks was extremely cordial, with no sharp divisions of opinion, though Australia and New Zealand are believed to have made special

points about the Crown link. Some of these appear to have found some support from Pakistan.

The points were reserved for discussion at tonight's special meeting, from which, it is suggested, a joint statement might be prepared for consideration at the next plenary session, which will mark a new stage in the discussions.

The attitude of the Canadian and South African leaders is believed to have reflected an optimistic address toward the constitutional problem which confronts the eight statesmen.

### Legal Points

Mr. Nehru left London this afternoon to spend the week-end with Earl Mountbatten—who carried out the transfer of power to India and Pakistan in 1947—and Countess Mountbatten at their country estate, Broadlands, Hampshire, in West England.

The Commonwealth talks involve not only the Commonwealth "Great Eight" but also their advisers and a number of leading British Ministers.

These include Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, who was prominently identified with the arrangements for the transfer of power in India—the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and Britain's top chief law officers—Viscount Jowitt, Lord Chancellor, and Sir Hartley Shawcross, the Attorney-General.

The law officers will advise on the legal adjustments which will be necessary in any new Commonwealth concept agreed upon.

### Behind The Scenes

The conference figures will disperse over the week-end, but individual informal contacts between groups may help to crystallize the issues before the Monday plenary meeting.

Mr. Attlee tonight went to Chequers, his official country residence in Buckinghamshire, 40 miles from London.

Intense activity behind the scenes in the Commonwealth Prime Minister's conference here is spotlighted by individual meetings arranged by the statesmen among themselves.

Today Mr. Lester Pearson had a talk with Mr. Chifley. Mr. Chifley had a breakfast meeting with Mr. Nehru.

Tomorrow, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan will meet Mr. Pearson. Later he will have talks with Mr. A. M. Alexander, British Defence Minister, and Sir Harold Parker, Permanent Under-Secretary to the Ministry of Defence.—Reuter.

## Walk-Out By King's Surgeon

Berlin, April 22.

Professor Ferdinand Sauerbruch, German surgeon who operated on King George V in 1929, walked out of a denazification court for doctors in the British sector.

He did so, he said, as a protest against attacks on his honour by a member of the Judicial Commission before which he was appearing. His case was postponed indefinitely.

Although never a member of the Nazi Party, the 74-year-old surgeon is alleged to have supported the Hitler regime.—Reuter.

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## Terrorists Dancing To Our Tune Now

Singapore, April 22. Mr. M. B. Shaw, Deputy Commissioner of Police for the Federation of Malaya, told a press conference at Kuala Lumpur today that the Malayan terrorists have now lost the overall initiative and are being forced to dance to the tune of the Security Forces.

These forces, he said, have kept up a relentless pressure and the great improvement in the general internal situation mentioned three weeks ago has been maintained.

There had been no Army casualties between April 2 and 19.—Reuter.

## Negro Innocent Of Murder

Bridgetown, Barbados, April 22.

A Negro, McDonald Lewis, aged 50, was acquitted at the Assizes here today on a charge of murdering Mrs. Myra Frances Greenland, aged 37, wife of a London-born engineer with the Barbados Telephone Company.

After 31 witnesses for the Crown had given evidence, defending counsel submitted that there was no case and the Attorney General agreed. The Chief Justice directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

Mrs. Greenland was fatally stabbed in the neck when trying to rescue her husband, Mr. A. F. H. Greenland, from an intruder in their home last December.—Reuter.

## Railwaymen Want A Wage Increase

London, April 22.

Delegates representing 460,000 British railwaymen today called for Government intervention in a dispute resulting from refusal of their demands for a 12s. 6d. a week wage rise.

The railwaymen's decision was made at a special London conference of the National Union of Railwaymen. The delegates sent their chairman and secretary, Mr. W. T. Potter and Mr. J. B. Figgins, to the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee's, residence at No. 10, Downing Street, to seek an interview. They were referred to a high official, who arranged for them to see the Minister of Labour, Mr. George Isaacs, and the Minister of Transport, Mr. Alfred Barnes, next Tuesday.

When informed of this, the conference adjourned until next Thursday to await results. Besides the report of its deputation, the conference will then have before it resolutions proposing several drastic alternatives, including strike action, a "go slow" policy and a ban on overtime working.

The railwaymen's claim has been rejected by a series of arbitration tribunals. The cost of meeting it in full has been estimated officially at £24 million a year. A trade union demand for an extra week's holiday for Britain's 750,000 miners was rejected today by an arbitration tribunal.

The miners wanted two weeks' annual holiday with pay instead of six days as at present.

The union and the National Coal Board agreed on the desirability of the longer holiday but the Tribunal commented: "The Tribunal, while fully appreciating the desire of both parties that the concession should in due time be made, have yet felt obliged to take account of the present position of the country as a whole, the necessity for the industry to pay its way, and the economic effect of a rise in the price of coal."—Reuter.

## Compulsory Medical Insurance For U.S.?

Washington, April 22.

President Truman asked Congress again today to agree to compulsory medical insurance as part of a new national health scheme.

In a special message to Congress, the President said the traditional method of paying for medical care cannot meet the health needs of today.

The Association's fight is centered on the proposal for compulsory insurance. Some of its leaders say that it would mean socialized medicine, but some medical men support it.—Reuter.

President Truman recommended that Congress provide a system of Government payment of medical bills from a fund to be collected by special taxes.

The President also asked for: 1.—Government financial aid for the expansion of medical schools.

2.—Federal aid for the construction of hospitals and other medical facilities in communities where they are needed.

3.—Increased Federal grants to help State and local governments in controlling certain diseases and promoting material and child health service, services for crippled children and general public health activities.

President Truman declared: "As a nation we have not yet succeeded in getting the benefits of the scientific advances available to all who need them."

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"Our objective must be twofold—to make available enough medical services to go around and to see that everybody has a chance to obtain those services. We cannot obtain one part of that objective unless we attain the other as well."

Mr. Truman gave no estimate of the cost of his national health service plan. It is expected that the President's proposals will have a bitter battle in Congress. The American Medical Association has already begun a campaign against it.

## Greeks Accused By Belgrade

Belgrade, April 22.

Yugoslavia in a note to the United Nations today accused the Greek army of violating Yugoslavia's frontiers 10 times since last November and infringing their air space three times.

The Yugoslav news agency Tanjug said that the note was handed to Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations, by Josef Villan, Yugoslav delegate to Lake Success.

In one alleged incident on February 17, a unit of Greek soldiers supported by three tanks, mine throwers and machine-guns, is said to have approached Yugoslav territory near the village of Zivovno and three shells fell on Yugoslav soil.

Shells were again fired on Yugoslav soil near Zivovno on February 22, the note alleged.

The infringements of air space are said to have been committed on November 18, March 5 and March 9 by a single aircraft. No damage or casualties are mentioned.—Reuter.

## LONDON TO HOLD ARMY DAY

London, April 22.

London is to hold an Army Day on Thursday, May 5, when 2,000 men, with guns, armoured cars, vehicles and three military bands, will march through the heart of the city, the War Office announced today.

Army vehicles and equipment will be displayed in Hyde Park, and drums and pipes of the Brigade of Guards will sound the Retreat in the evening.—Reuter.

## IRAN TRIAL

Teheran, April 22.

Twenty leaders of the banned extreme left wing Iranian Tudeh Party were convicted by a court martial here last night and sentenced to prison terms ranging from one year to 10 years.

(The Iranian Government dissolved the Tudeh Party—the "Party of the Masses"—last February after a member had shot at the Shah of Iran).—Reuter.

San Francisco, April 23. The liner President Jefferson sailed yesterday for Yokohama. —Associated Press.

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Between 1926—the height both of the Great Boom and of the Prohibition Period, when I was last in America—and today, the American people have grown up and attained to a full sense of the responsibilities that their position imposes upon them.

This attitude they combine with a warm-heartedness and hatred of injustice which few great powers have possessed.

For, even if self-interest enters into their political schemes to inspire their political wisdom, always there is, in the colloquial phrase, "more to it than that"; there ever enters in, the sometimes derided but very genuine factors of American benevolence and American generosity, the result no less of history and background, than of the size and character of the country that has produced them.

It would not be true, I apprehend, to say that when I arrived in New York English prestige was high or the Englishman at his most popular.

A century of patronage and criticism, often rudely phrased in the same language that the American speaks, has done its work, and more recently, the British Government's handling of the Palestine problem caused, rightly or wrongly, much ill-feeling.

The American (in this resembling the Englishman) stands always against the bully, and as such we had unfortunately allowed ourselves to be painted and paraded, however unfairly.

Likeness Of Life

Yet, in spite of these various influences what most strikes an Englishman today is less the dif-

ference than the likeness of life and outlook between America and England.

Though the blood-kinship has thinned, though storms may momentarily rage between the two countries and then as suddenly subside, an Englishman can never consider himself to be a foreigner in America. He does not, it is true, feel himself to be an American, but is conscious that some new word should be invented to fit his status there, just as, conversely, some new word should also be minted to describe the position of an American in England.

By SIR OSBERT  
SITWELL

The American resembles the Englishman even in the very thing which has chiefly divided them in the last 50 years; the fact that each is of very mixed descent.

For the rest, the laws by which we both are conditioned come from the same stem; our conception of justice is the same.

Both countries harbour a race of sailors, for though our descent may vary, the descendants of both Americans and English have had to cross perilous seas before they reached the land which they now people.

Further, we are brought up still on the same books. The Bible and Shakespeare are the foundations of American, as of English, literature.

The American history books vary, however, greatly from the English in the views they present (in example, the benevolent old monarch, King George III, still seems the prince of tyrants to Americans; and for them, great battles have existed of which no Englishman knows the names).

In one respect, moreover, American history really does differ from that of any other nation.

The British Queen, Boadicea, the founders of Saxon power, Hengist and Horsa, or even William the Conqueror, must seem to the Briton of today rather shadowy figures, but the fathers of the American Republic, Washington, Jefferson and their com-

pany, are known in realistic detail of feature and character to every American.

In fact, the greatest nation in the world today has been fashioned before the eyes, at first inattentive and then startled, of a few generations.

Moreover, in a sense, American constitutes the swiftest and most biblical revenge to be obtained by the poor upon the rich because the grandchildren of many wretched emigrants from Europe now hold in their hands the destinies of those countries from which their fathers fled.

Offers A Tonic

America offers to the visiting European a tonic, of which the revivifying qualities come from many causes. In some ways, the country seems more modern than any in the world; in some ways, more old-fashioned.

There still exists, for example—and this is old-fashioned—in the great heart of the American people, the 19th-century benevolent optimism: the feeling that God's in His heaven and all's well with the world.

(Incidentally, the churches and chapels in America are much more fully attended than in England.)

The warmth of the American heart is reflected in smiling faces and warm and agreeable words, though they remain a direct and democratic people. In fact, the Americans have something which is missing in England today—beautiful manners.

Not only is there a complete absence of sour looks, but you do not feel yourself in the street to be invisible as you do in England, where people walk straight into you without apparently being conscious of it.

Lastly, in any comment on America, it must be stated that New York is a wonder of the world, unforgettably more beautiful than when I was there before.

Looking back over the distance of 20 years, the then city seems to have been merely a prophecy, a drawing in the sand, of what it subsequently became.

The gateway to a continent, it is the most beautiful and inspiring of modern creations, the sole heir to Alexandria, Constantinople and Venice.

It is a unique city, so cosmopolitan and informed that many of the workers in New York know from sisters and brothers in Europe better what the conditions are, even behind the Iron Curtain, than do the politicians.

Enclaves of every race dwell in the metropolis, while little nations of Italians, Spaniards, Armenians, Germans, Hungarians and Jews, and in this respect, though New York is always said not to represent America—it is most truly American.

Who that has seen them can ever forget the clustered towers of New York as viewed from the Hudson or approaching by road from Long Island, or permit to vanish from his memory that evening sunset comparable to the opening of certain flowers at dusk; that moment when the high towers and piled up cubes of the great city suddenly blaze with lights of different colours, blue and red, primrose and green, and become hives of honey in various shades of gold against the glittering vast blue dome of the sky?

## GREECE HAS FOUND THE MAN

Greece is at the crossroads. Two months ago well informed observers placed the odds at six to four on the Reds snatching Greece behind the Iron Curtain this year.

The reason is exhaustion caused by the steady drain on manpower, morale and economy by a guerrilla war, wherein each victory by the Greek Army has seemed to bring the nation's struggle no nearer a final liberation from guerrilla terrorism and destruction.

Last January Allied observers saw Greek resistance at the lowest ebb since the Communist revolution in December 1944. Greece pointed despairingly at China and Malaya.

Within two months, the situation has changed enough to justify Mr. McNeill's reply in the Commons. Yet Mr. Macmillan's warning is just as real and timely.

(Mr. McNeill, Minister of State, told the House of Commons recently that the Greek situation was grave, but there has been some recovery in the face of adverse military and economic factors. Mr. Macmillan said the Greek position was almost desperate, and Moscow was planning a political coup.)

A compromise with the Communist guerrillas in Greece would merely be the first act of a familiar play—the Coalition Government, including Communist leaders holding the key posts leading to the eventual Communist seizure of the Government and the inclusion of the Greek outlet on the Mediterranean within the Russian bear's hug.

For Western strategy, the inclusion of Greece within the Iron Curtain would be disastrous. Red Air Force planes and V-rockets based on the Peloponnese and Crete, could neutralise our key bases on Malta and Cyprus and render the Eastern Mediterranean untenable.

The Red Navy submarines could operate from the Greek ports of Piraeus, Salonika, Patras and Volos and cut our life-lines. Russia would have achieved her imperialist dream of warm water port.

Merely the turning of Greece into a Russian Satellite State would squeeze Italy, Turkey and

the Near East so dangerously as to threaten the Atlantic Pact and to sabotage from the start all hopes of a Mediterranean defensive pact.

Continuous Warfare

Western democracies have as big a stake as Russia in the future of Greece. Can we preserve

By KEITH  
BUTLER

Special Correspondent

Greek independence and integrity, which are the key to the Eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East?

Since January throughout the Greek nation there has been a feeling that the new Coalition Government, set up in that month after King Paul's ultimatum to the political parties to put the country before politics, is by far the best since the liberation of Greece in 1944.

The appointment of General Alexander Papagos as Commander-in-Chief has infused new discipline and drive into the tired Greek Army, which was beginning to suffer from the personal ambitions of some of the higher commanders, and failing morale.

Don't forget this is the eighth year of continuous war of the occupation Resistance revolution, and the guerrilla war—no wonder both the nation and the Army are weary.

General Papagos has brought new hope and a strong military hand both to the Army and to the people.

His appointment came after a series of military disasters during the first weeks of 1948, when five Greek towns were attacked in succession by guerrillas, who not only sacked and looted, but took the inhabitants as hostages.

His appointment coincided with the first big Greek Army success for months, when guerrillas, attacking Florina, were defeated with about 1,000 casualties.

Since then, Peloponnesus, Greece's Southern province, has been cleared of guerrillas after 18 months of terrorism.

Now, on eve of the biggest Greek Army clearing-up operation in Northern Greece, the Army and civilian morale is high and hopeful.

But the vital question is still unsolved: Can the 197,000 Greek Army, saddled with the enormous garrison and security task throughout the liberated regions, still put enough first-line fighters into the field to defeat and destroy 25,000 first-line guerrillas, backed by more than 100,000 organised terrorist helpers?

Neither Army nor people can stand another year of resultless victories.

Cominform Moves  
Against Tito

There is still the problem of the Northern frontiers over which the guerrillas are freely supplied and reinforced, and which the Greeks say bluntly is not their problem but ours.

That is why the Greeks are delighted at the revival of Britain's interest in their country that was shown in the Foreign Affairs debate, and at the encouraging messages received these days from President Truman, Mr. Bevin and Mr. Acheson.

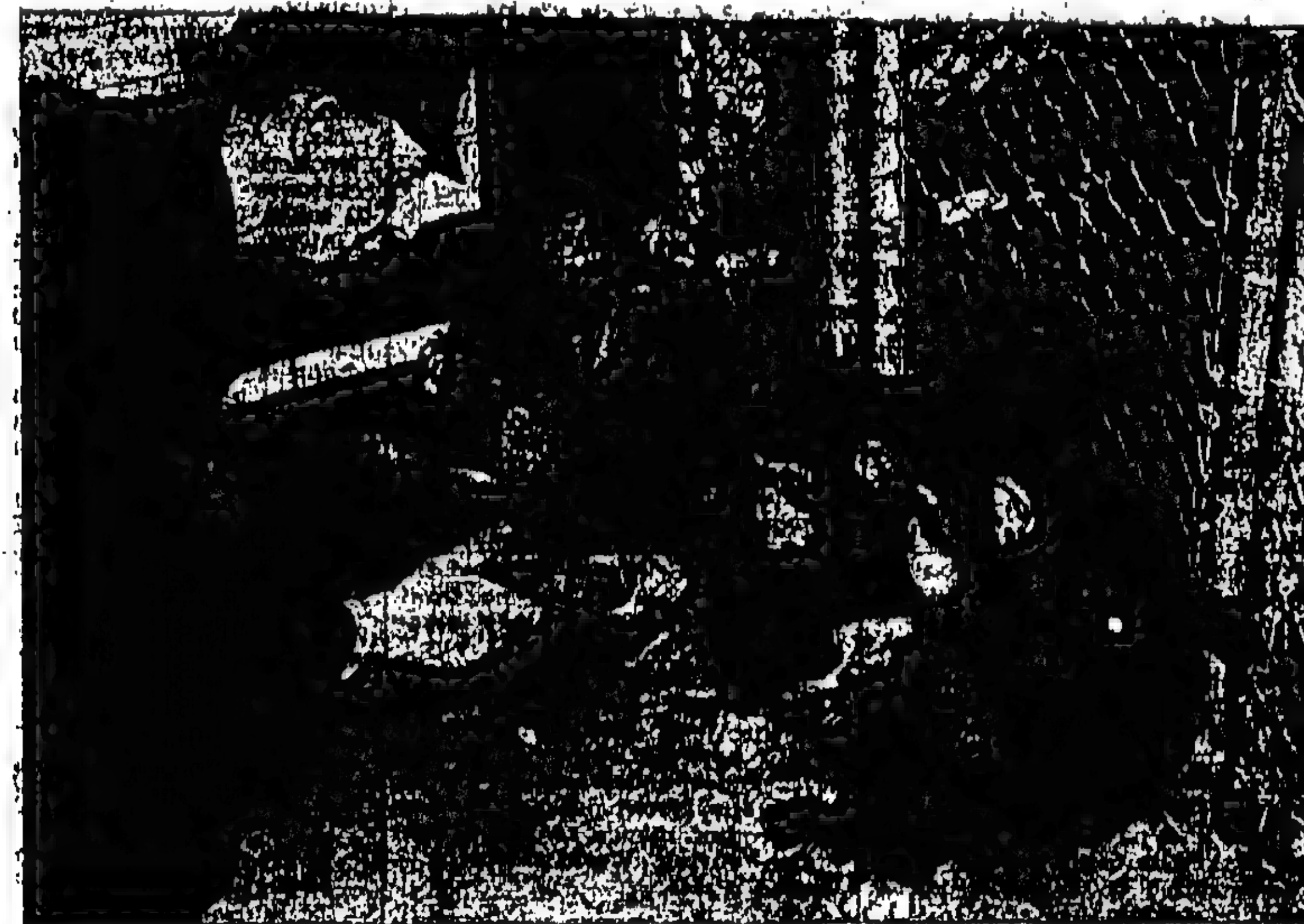
The Iron Curtain is rattling on the Greek frontier, as the Cominform prepares to eliminate Marshal Tito before launching a final all-out attack on Greece.

Only Tito's sudden concentration of several divisions in the Skopje area near the Bulgarian border prevented the Bulgarian Premier, M. Dimitroff, from provoking secessionist movements in Yugoslavia and Greek Macedonia during last month.

But the Cominform still has plans for a satellite autonomous Macedonia within a Moscow-directed Balkan Federation. This is the real external threat to Greek integrity that must be watched with care.

Within her borders, with full aid and support from the United States and Britain, Greece may yet put her house in order this year.

But here is a warning—in these Balkan and international quicksand, political manoeuvres to overthrow gain power as now plotted by sections of the Populist Party and Extreme Rightists, may bring disaster to Greece.

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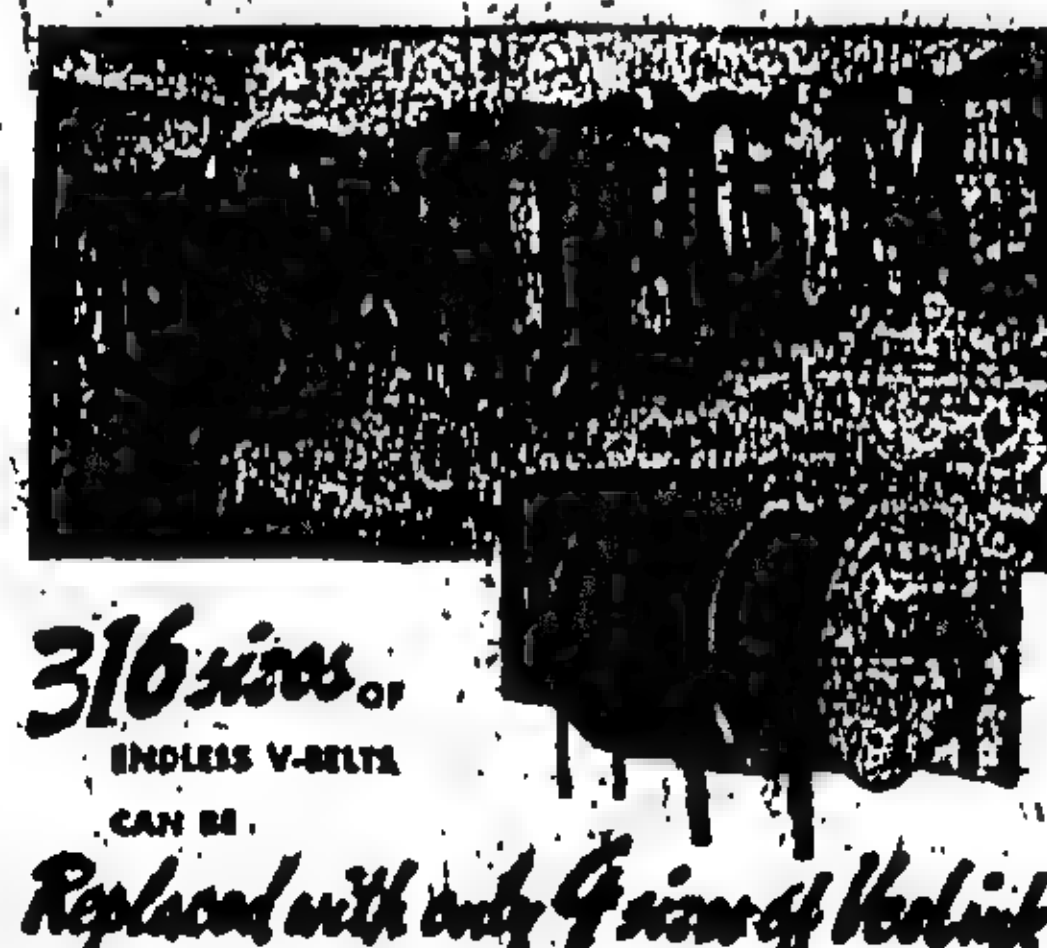
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Billy, Bo-Bo, Compo and Susan, the four chimps at the London Zoo, are seen cheerfully receiving their daily dose of medicine. From Sierra Leone, the chimps are being trained in table manners and will be delighting visitors to the Zoo this summer by their antics at tea-time. (Associated Press photo).

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## ALLIED MEMORANDUM TO BONN ASSEMBLY

### U.S. ARMY 'ATTACKS' INVADERS

Nuremberg, April 22. Combat units of 70,000 American troops are tonight poised to launch a mass counter-attack against an imaginary aggressor army which has theoretically been pushing the forces back from the Czechoslovak frontier to beyond the West bank of the Ludwig Canal since last Monday.

The American units taking part in the zone's largest post-war manoeuvre fixed 9.00 p.m. GMT today as "Zero Hour" for their offensive, which will start the last phase of "Exercise Showers."

The plan of the offensive is to capture the training area at Gräfenwörth by tomorrow night through a two-pronged pincer movement aimed at the towns of Bayreuth and Amberg.

By the time the actual American offensive begins, all theoretical air opposition will have been swept away.

In initiating the attack, the American troops will sweep across three special constructed combat bridges and will advance under the cover of an extensive smoke screen thrown up by chemical warfare units.

The attackers will be supported by mythical replacements which landed by equally imaginary troop transports at Bremen yesterday to compensate estimated American paper losses of over 2,000 troops.—Reuter.

Berlin, April 22. The United States authorities have cut off the telephone in the Potsdam home of Herr Heinrich Rau, Chairman of the Soviet Zone Economic Commission, because he refused to pay his bill in Western marks.—Reuter.

Bonn, April 22. A new three-power memorandum on the West German Constitution was handed to the German Constituent Assembly here today. The message was agreed on by the British, American and French Foreign Ministers in Washington earlier this month.

First reports confirm that the message relates the Allied point of view on finance and on the Federal legislative powers in a more conciliatory manner than before. It is also said to express the Allied views on the question of an electoral law for the first German Parliament.

It does not deal with the details of the German draft to which the Military Governors have objected, but outlines the considerations underlying their objections in a manner designed to give the Germans maximum scope for avoiding further disputes.

The message is understood to explain that the Allies will approve a Constitution which leaves to both the Federal Government and the States adequate powers to impose taxes for their own needs and collect their through their separate administrations.

It is believed to say that the Allies have no objection to the subsidising of financially weak States, either out of Federal funds or by an internal redistribution of State taxes, provided that such redistribution does not pass through the Federal Exchequer and provided also that some tax revenues are handled by each State.

#### No Objections

On the question of Federal legislation dealing with economic and social policy, the Foreign Ministers are believed to make it clear that they do not object to such legislation where the interests of more than one member State of the Federation are clearly involved.

The effect of the Allied message, observers here think, will be to make it clear that no draft now advocated by either of the major German parties is open to serious Allied objections. The Christian Democrats accepted the Allied memorandum.

### Radar's Value To Britain

London, April 22. The Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors has to decide early next month how much the cavity magnetron—the "heart of radar"—was worth to Britain, during the war.

Beginning on May 2, the Commission will hear claims by three British physicists—Professor John Turner Randall, Professor Henry Albert Spot, and Professor James Bayers.

The magnetron was used in the war for air interception to detect the approach of enemy submarines, for surveying coasts before D-Day, for night bombing and, to allow ships to travel at high speed in fog and darkness.—Reuter.

## RUSSIANS IMPRESSED BY PRESS FREEDOM

New York, April 23.

A refugee Soviet Air Force officer said today that freedom of the press is the most impressive feature of American life he has seen.

Ex-Lieutenant Peter Pirogov said: "The greatest single thing is the liberty your newspapers have of publishing what they really think. This is not true in the USSR."

Pirogov, aged 28, was a navigator. He is here with Anatole Barov, aged 31, under auspices of the U.S. State Department's Voice of America. The two, after hearing Voice broadcasts, took a Soviet plane aloft on October 9, ostensibly on a routine training mission but fled instead to an airport in the U.S. zone of Austria and refused to return.

Pirogov explained that criticism generally in Soviet Russia is permitted so long as it is confined to method and execution of a prescribed policy. But criticism of the policy itself, once adopted, is not tolerated.

That explains how, for instance, Soviet newspapers print editorials and letters from readers denouncing factory managers for producing shoddy merchandise. Or for using outmoded styles. Or for falling behind schedule. And criticism suggesting a change from the Communist philosophy because that is what is wrong is not acceptable and never appears.

#### Gousenko Case

"Furthermore," Pirogov continued, "the many press conferences held since our flight have convinced me of America's freedom of the press. Questions by American newsmen have covered a broad range that indicates they do not follow prescribed rules or instructions."

When Mrs. Oksana Stepanova came into the news, Pirogov said, all he heard was the official version that she had been kidnapped. Later, on the Voice of America, he heard of how she had jumped from a window of the Soviet Consulate in New York to escape forced return to Russia.

Similarly, he said, he heard nothing of the exposure by the Soviet code clerk, Igor Gousenko, which brought to light the operation of a Russian spy ring in Canada.—United Press.

Hamburg, April 22. Karl Kaufmann, who, as Gauleiter of Hamburg, negotiated the city's surrender to the British four years ago, has been released by the British authorities.—Reuter.

## Philippines Wants Free Trade With U.S.

San Francisco, April 22.

Philippine Senator Vicente Sotto is to again appeal to President Truman and Congress to amend the "discriminatory" provisions of the Philippine Trade Act of 1946.

Mr. Sotto is on the way to Lake Success where he will serve as delegate to the General Assembly of the United Nations.

However, he will also go to Washington in an attempt to establish selective free trade between the Philippines and the United States.

He said: "Our businessmen concur with me in this fight. Before my departure from Manila, the Philippine Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution recommending amendment of the Trade Act to provide for selective free trade." Mr. Sotto claimed that the Act is destroying major Philippine industries.

If the United States Congress does not amend the agreement it will be preferable to repeal it in order to put a stop to growing resentment in the islands, he said.—United Press.

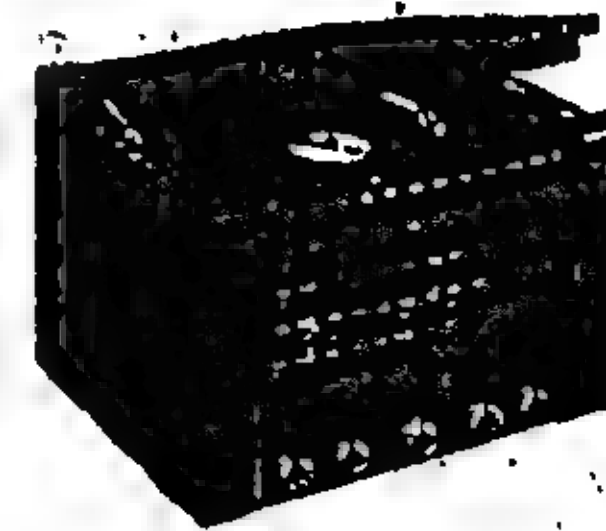
### AWARD FOR DR. BUNCHE

New York, April 22.

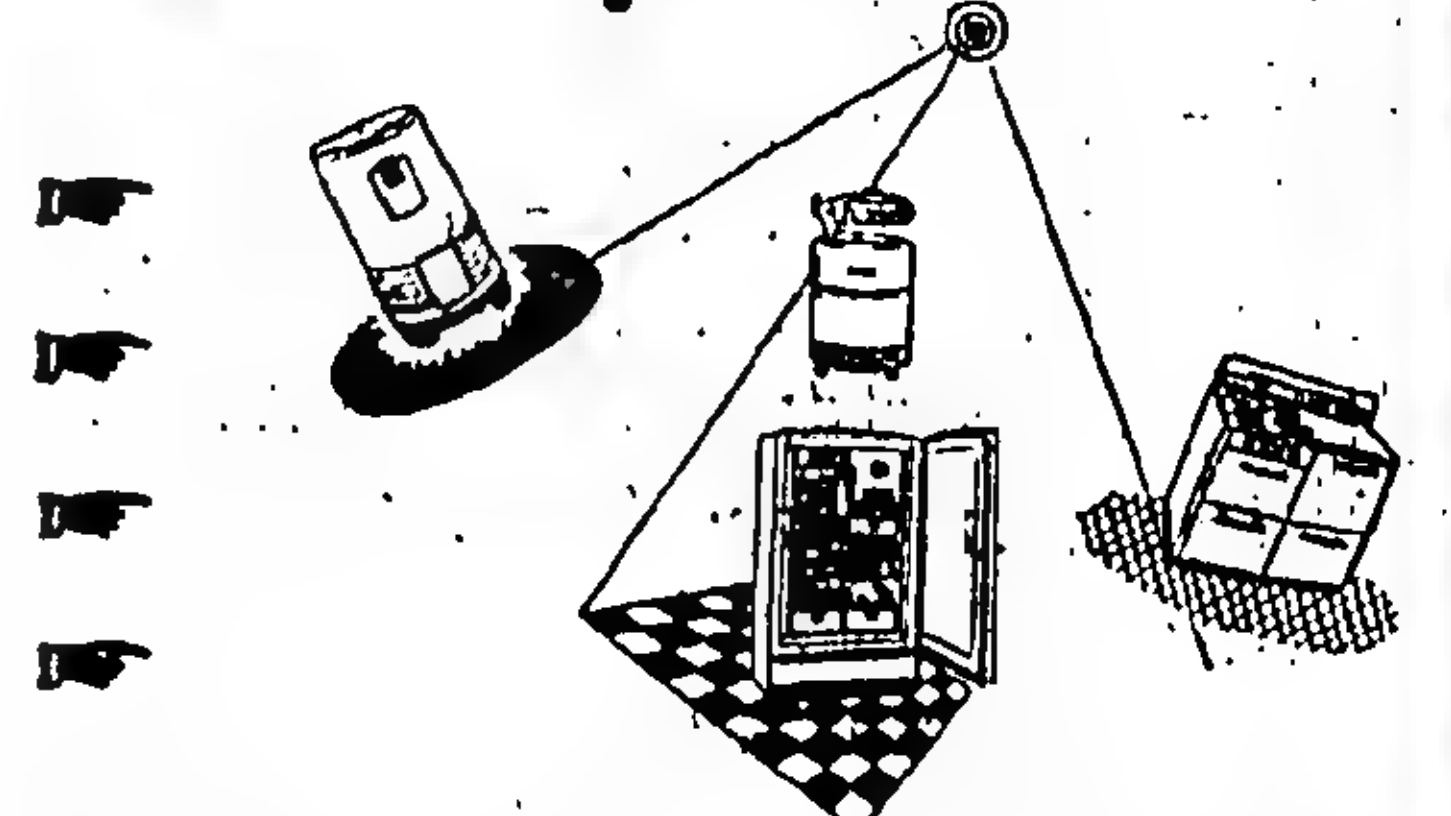
United Nations mediator who was responsible for the major share of the settlement of the Palestine conflict, will receive the second annual Distinguished Service Award of the American Association for the United Nations.

The award will be made at a dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel on May 9.

Dr. Bunche, American negro diplomat, will be honored for his "distinguished and unselfish service in advancing the ideals of the United Nations." It was announced by the committee.—United Press.



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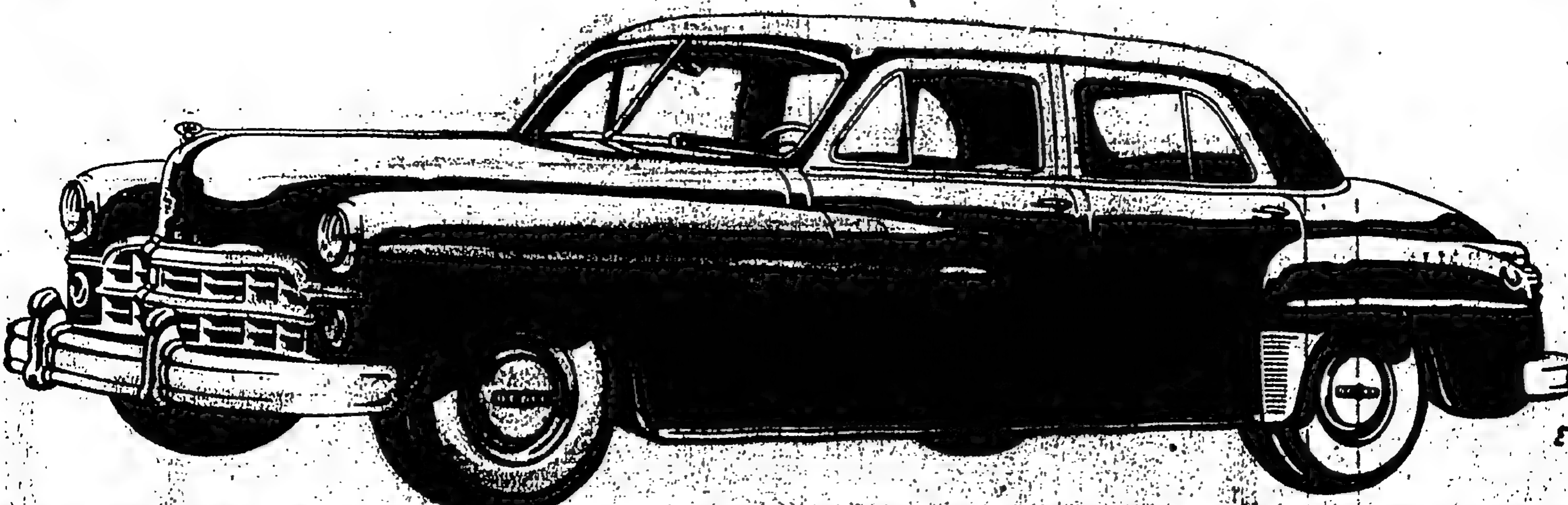
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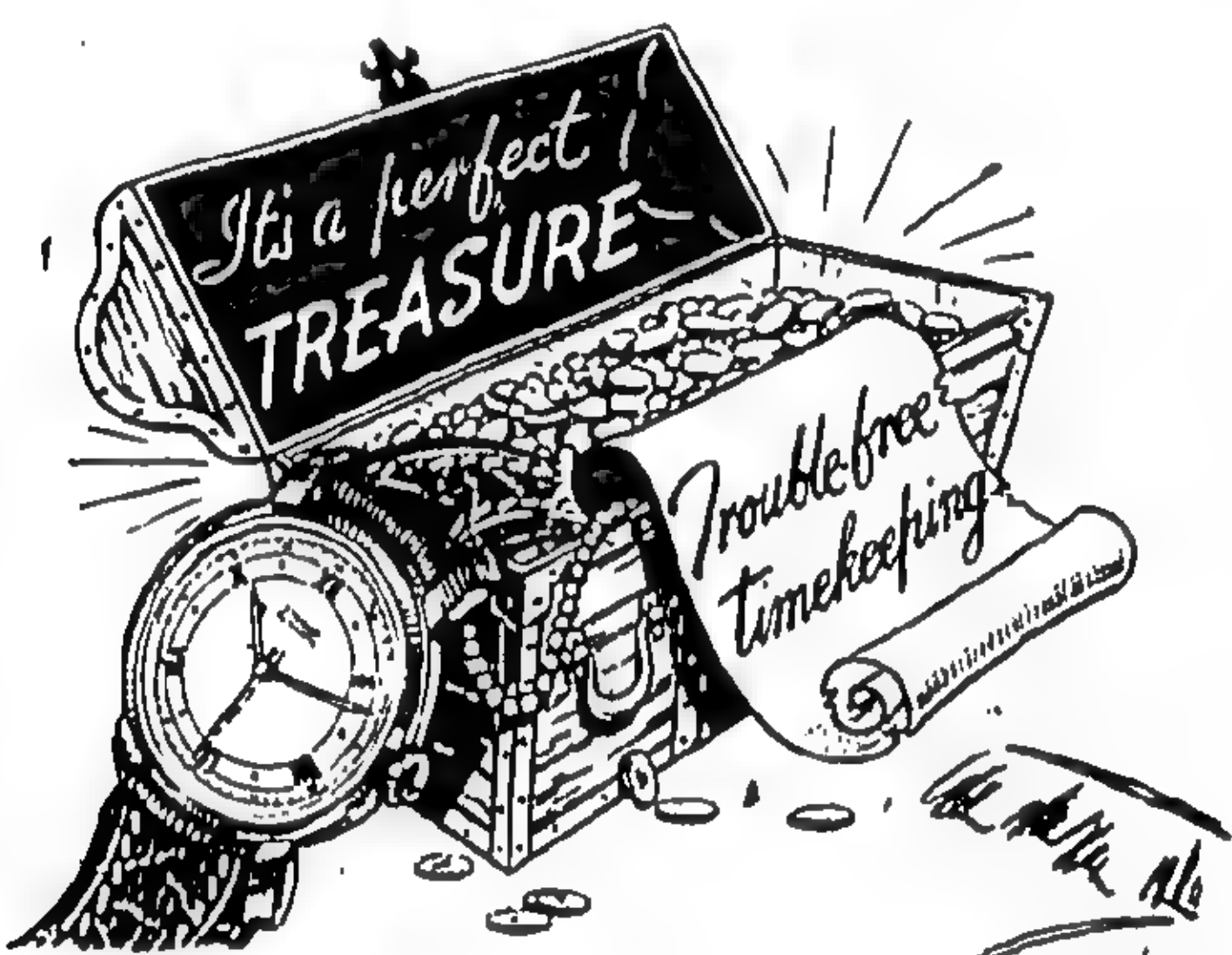
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## Britons In Germany

By TOM POCOCK

In the smart Hamburg restaurant, where no Briton can afford to eat, a well-fed baritone sings a new song, dedicated to Noel Coward and called "Don't Let's Be Beasty to the British."

The German diners laugh and slap their thighs because they know that though they are not yet able to be actively beastly to the British the British are no longer capable of being beastly to them.

There are no more beet-clicks for the conquerors. Instead, the Germans pity the British families who look and feel as out of place as the Romans in Britain when the news from Rome became depressing.

There are 10,000 British families in Germany, half belonging to the Army, half to the Control Commission. Unconsciously, most of them regard Germany as part of the British Empire. And, as the new British Raj, they think they are getting a raw deal.

The soldiers' families—called, with the Army's habit of using two words where one will do, "Married Families"—live by home standards. They have servants. They get cheap drink and cigarettes. They can play at being idle and rich. And yet they grumble.

The rations, costing half a crown a day, are compulsory. I know of one family with 27 lines of mustard in the larder. Vegetables often arrive rotten and sometimes do not arrive at all.

### Higher Prices

Prices in the NAACP shops are considerably higher than in England and often higher than in the local German shops, from which it is illegal for the British to buy. However, many wives send out their servants with a handful of marks and orders to buy milk, butter, and fresh vegetables from local farmers.

"So the Germans lost the war, did they?" snorts a British housewife. "Just so they could get smoked salmon at 2s. 6d. a tin?"

Living in Germany is no expensive that a number of officers have had to send their wives home to England. Some NCOs' families have even had to go hungry.

A "successful man," a senior captain, with a wife and one child, earns about £70 a month. Before he can start saving or buying essentials he must put aside £14 for income tax, £14 10s. for rent, £10 15s. for compulsory rations, and 10s. for his compulsory telephone.

Of course there are plans for relief. MPs. agitate for higher Army pay. There is a possibility that rations may not all be compulsory in Germany.

Meanwhile, the Army is paying up, and a lot of the brighter soldiers save up to buy themselves out and look round for a better-paid civilian job.

### They Exaggerate

But the Germans, living in a vacuum, see this decline and exaggerate wildly. They do not realise how abnormal the British standard of living in Germany became during 1946 and 1947.

In Hamburg a small business man, the type that put Hitler into power, sums up the views of his kind:

"Four years ago we Germans had no hope. Our women sold themselves to your soldiers for chocolate. I would have sold my soul for 20 cigarettes. Now it is different. Our women prefer German men. I sell cigarettes to the English soldiers."

"My country is rising again—more fast than you know. Your country is going down. We Germans will be masters of Europe again in 20 years; or, if our conquerors behave as we expect, sooner."

And, waving aside a British cigarette, he lights a big cigar.

## LABOUR LOOKS LEFT

What is in store for Britain if the Labour Party is returned to power next year? Where is the party heading? What is the reaction of rank-and-file Socialists to recent councils of caution and moderation from some of their leaders?

Are they ready, in the light of nearly four years' experience of the difficulties of Socialism in practice, to accept these councils—to go slow, to consolidate, to be patient about the realisation of all they have been led to expect from Socialist government?

Or are they as Left as ever, ready to drag their present leaders behind them, or find new ones? The answers to these questions cannot yet take final form, but there are portents.

An analysis of the 219 resolutions sent in for consideration at the 48th annual Party Conference reveals that:

(1) nearly one-third of them are concerned with the domestic issues of nationalisation, wages, prices and profits, and housing;

(2) they largely ignore the warnings of their leaders in their approach to these issues, and demand much more than some of the leaders regard as expedient or practicable; and they press their views with ominous insistence.

The full significance of this can be assessed only in relation to the background of warning and exhortation from the top.

### Fingerprint Sleuth

(Continued from Page 10)

We rigged up our floodlights. The tiny rooms began to look like Elmore studio sets. I crawled under chairs, took inspection lamps beneath tables. We took every article from sideboard and household cupboards.

No fingerprints. There was a little outhouse, with a mangle and boiler, in the yard. I took the mangle to pieces.

No fingerprints. The toy cupboard, the boot cupboard, the bits of cracked china that all housewives hoard away behind biscuit tins on the top shelf—there was nothing. I had ever touched them somebody must have been at them ahead of us.

"Anywhere else?" we asked, and Bill Judge grinned faintly.

"There's a sort of coal cellar," he said.

It was a narrow, unlit place beneath the stairs. Rough walls and constantly stirred coal dust. Not much chance of a—I cursed gently, for I had banged my head upon a shelf.

On the shelf were nearly 100 assorted bottles—the domestic, discarded, of years. Pickle-bottles, medicine bottles—every kind of bottle. As we delicately picked each one out with tweezers we saw something else—and groaned. All had been wiped clean recently.

### At Last—The Vital Clue

We tested them all—no result. Bottles lined the stairs and twinkled in the hallway. The air was filled with the fine grey powder we use to detect fingerprints on glass.

Then, as we had begun to put them back, I saw that a pickle-bottle and a little medicine bottle had got pushed down behind the shelf in the right hand corner.

"We'll have those, too," said I.

"Cherill."

The Cherub was packing up and down as I aimed the little nozzle of my finger-print powder spray at the pickle-bottle and pressed the rubber bulb.

There they were—Mrs. M.'s finger prints, clear and perfect—exactly matching the prints of the dead woman in the sack.

The Cherub closed his eyes happily. "Somewhere—I seem to remember—" he said, "I have a wife—a home."

Mr. M. was found guilty at Bedford Assizes, but was reprieved from the death sentence by the Home Secretary.

At the last party conference in May, 1948, Mr. Herbert Morrison, in a notably cautious speech, called for "consolidation of our gains, with sensible further advance." He and others have since urged this in public, and privately in the party's higher councils, where it is believed to be generally, but not unanimously, accepted.

### A Spate Of Demands

What is the rank-and-file resolution calling for the most sweeping measures of State ownership and control ever proposed.

They embrace nationalisation of the land and all forms of agriculture, of building, shipbuilding and ship repairing, engineering and founding, textile manufacture, the "armaments industry," chemicals, aluminium and light alloy production, water, life and fire insurance, sugar re-

By CHARLES  
E. GAYON

fining, flour milling, wholesale food and milk distribution, the joint stock and private banks, and the creation of a National Mortgage Corporation to take over the building societies, the house purchase mortgages of life assurance companies, and mortgages issued under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act.

All these measures are put forward for inclusion in the party's legislative programme, to be carried out if it gets a further five years of power.

In the field of wages, prices and profits, the harsh, incontrovertible facts of the situation are entirely ignored. Sir Stafford Cripps told the Trades Union Congress last September that if the corporation profits distribution bill, which is the Chancellor's observance, would be a "very drastic cut"—it would mean an average addition to wages and salaries of no more than 4d. in the pound.

Therefore, there was no substantial relief from the pressure of living costs to be obtained from that source.

The answer of the Socialist rank-and-file to this incontrovertible fact is a series of resolutions calling for "drastic" reduction of profits, prevention of employers from passing all increases of wages on to the consumers by raising prices, and removal of the restriction on wage increases.

This restriction is a myth. Last year, up to the end of November, 7,585,300 manual workers received increases totalling £1,640,330 a week over 1947 earnings. There have been further increases since in some industries. In January and February, 1,815,000 workers secured £102,500 more a week.

### Unreasoning Tempers

On housing the attitude shows the same unreasoning temper. Council house rents are described as exorbitant and the housing programme as inadequate. The high cost of house building is condemned, and it is assumed that profit, waste and inefficiency would be abolished by nationalisation. The payment of higher subsidies is demanded.

In face of the strictures on housing it is appropriate to recall the report issued last year of a committee which was appointed by the Minister of Health to investigate the cost of house building.

It found that the typical local authority house of 1947 cost three and a quarter times as much as its pre-war counterpart and required twice as much labour and one-third more materials; that the cost of materials followed the trend of prices of industrial materials generally; that there was no evidence of excessive profits; and that while there was no conclusive evidence that private enterprise built more economically, there was evidence that it built faster.

What is the lesson here? That State control and supervision

and local authority building give better, speedier and cheaper results than private enterprise building; on the contrary. There is no evidence that any of these results would accrue under nationalisation. But the policy of nationalisation was not built on evidence.

It may be argued by Socialist intellectuals that much importance should not be attached to the declarations and demands of local Labour parties; that they are in some respects contradictory and illogical, and arise from misapprehension, or even ignorance and stupidity.

However that may be, the power and authority of the local organisations should not lightly be dismissed. Their delegates constitute the Labour Party Conference, which is the Party's final authority; and leaders must convince the Conference that their policies are sound, or accept contrary policies, or hand over responsibility to more compliant successors.

### Leaders And The Left

There are, of course, other ways of controlling the Conference than the defeat of revolutionary ideas by direct challenge and argument.

The broad statement of policy about to be issued by the National Executive will reach local organisations too late for the formal tabling of amendments. It will, in effect, be presented for acceptance or rejection as a whole. In this way impatient revolt may be side-stepped. The Communists would like nothing better.

It should not be overlooked that the extremists have their sympathisers in the Government. Ministers include men of advanced Left views and resolute character. These forced steel nationalisation against doubtful moderate opinion. They belong to the "vermin" and "linker's cuss" faction.

Moreover, the present leadership of the Socialist movement is ageing. The up-and-coming men are younger. What they lack in political experience they make up for in a fiery temper, that may sway the unthinking mass.

The formidable Left elements will assuredly not lack leaders if they succeed in forcing the pace, but this will depend on the result of the general election. At present the Socialists are confident; though they expect a reduced majority.

### Austerity In Siam

While Britain is gradually emerging from the post-war austerity wood, another country—Siam—is just entering it.

What is more, writes correspondent Francis Dodwell, Siam is fashioning her austerity on British lines. Horse racing, previously enjoyed on two days a week, will now be limited to Saturdays only following a Government condemnation that gambling is the cause of too much extravagance and is liable to keep people away from work.

In the shops, luxury goods are to be limited and almost all luxury imports banned. Now, because the Government's food advisers believe that too much food is being wasted in restaurants, no cooked meals will be served after 10 o'clock. Instead, the Siamese will be encouraged to "Eat at Home" and grow their own food.

At the same time, and coinciding with the Austerity campaign, savings are to be encouraged and Savings Groups started all over the country. Finally, to complete the gloomy picture, a cigarette shortage on a familiar British scale is threatening the whole country. So much so that wholesale dismissals in Siam's cigarette factories have already begun. Where jobs have to be kept going, workers are being taken on who are prepared to work at one-fifth the normal salary.

## N.Z. Drug Addicts

By J.C. GRAHAM  
Special Correspondent

New Zealand is fast becoming a land of drug addicts. Pantries are absolutely littered with medicine bottles. A race of drug-store toppers. These are some recent comments by visitors to New Zealand on the Dominion's free medicine scheme.

Official support comes from the Permanent Central Opium Board in Geneva. In its latest report it lists heavy users of the habit-forming drug heroin who have further increased their consumption lately.

It says that New Zealand is among the worst offenders and that its consumption increased five-fold between 1936 and 1946. It is admitted in New Zealand that free medicine has brought a far greater increase in the medicine habit than is necessary or desirable. A Government-appointed committee of doctors and departmental officials has recommended remedies, including payment for medicines by the patient.

Changes on these lines are now being considered, but in the meantime the effect of six years of free medicine on New Zealanders is worth close attention in Britain, and other countries which are extending their health services.

Under the New Zealand scheme prescriptions by doctors are made up and supplied free to patients by chemists, the cost being borne by the State. Consultations with doctors are also free in most cases.

### A Brand-New Bottle

So that a patient suffering from a trifling ailment which he would have ignored a few years ago, or perhaps treated with some old family cure-all, now goes to a doctor each time he feels unwell and is supplied with a brand new bottle of some expensive remedy by his chemist.

The increased use of heroin is a case in point. Doctors say heroin is undoubtedly an excellent drug for stopping coughs. Patients get to know the colour of mixture containing it and demand it again next time they have a cough.

It is estimated that the State supplies an average of £1 worth of drugs to every man, woman and child in the country each year. The average Maori obtains £1.10s. worth.

The medicine-taking habit has vastly increased and cupboards throughout the country are littered with dozens of partly-used bottles of costly drugs.

The tendency is more and more to take a bottle of medicine when off colour, instead of seeking means to prevent the trouble from occurring.

"Well, I pay for it, don't I?" asks the average New Zealander indignantly when his medicine-taking habits are pointed out to him. He regards any training element as a good chance to get something tangible for the heavy social security taxes he pays.

New Zealanders may not yet be drug addicts, but they are certainly in danger of becoming a race of hypochondriacs who "dose" themselves on the slightest provocation.



In a Manhattan tavern, the owner, Lillian Wolfe, joined in a discussion on crime, assured two of her customers that "if this place were held up I'd hand over every cent," promptly obliged when one of them pulled a gun.

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CHAPTER II

"My son is dead." The words came slowly from the rigid mouth of the man of distinction Raffigan had come to see. The room in which he awaited Pat was musty with age. The girl stood silently, just inside the door, gun lowered in hand. She'd not spoken since she'd introduced Pat to her boss, Brownell K. Harling who in turn said she was Sylvia Sorel, his secretary and (with a sad grin) "sometimes my body guard."

"Rodney—my son—" Harling went on painfully, "has been missing for almost a month. He often went off on unexplained trips. He's been gone that long before. Sometimes turning up in Oahu, or Mexico City; once in Rio. But now—well, Mr. Raffigan, I called you because I want you to find him. He's been reported dead."

"Twice," the girl, Sylvia, cut in softly. "Under different circumstances," went on Harling. "Once I was informed he had been washed over the side of a yacht. But a week later, I was told that he had been lost, with no chance of recovering his body, while climbing in the Swiss Alps."

"Who reported these deaths to you?" Pat asked.

Sylvia answered: "A woman came to the office who said she was Rodney Harling's common law wife, and insisted she had letters and other evidence to prove it. Also witnesses to prove that Rod had been lost from the yacht Mammoth in the Pacific, a day out of San Francisco." She demanded that she be named sole heir to Rod's estate. Mr. Harling was too heartbroken from the breakdown suffered when his second wife, whom he'd divorced, committed suicide. He instructed his lawyers to go ahead working with this woman who says her name is Marjorie Gammage. But then came news that Rod was dead, his body lost in the Alps."

"We must try to locate Rodney, first," Pat remarked. "After all, your son couldn't be dead twice. It may be that he isn't dead at all."

He watched the quick hope flare and die in the rich man's eyes. "I do think he is dead," Harling said slowly. "But I don't think he was lost as reported. I believe that he was killed."

"Do you know anyone who has reason to hate you?" Pat asked.

Harling shook his head. "I've led a quiet life for years. I've stayed out of the newspapers. I haven't any dangerous enemies—none that would like to see me driven insane by such fiendish business."

Pat felt something was being withheld. Then Harling said, "Rod and I had disagreements. That's why he left home for long, unexplained jaunts."

"Give me the names of the people who called on you, and their addresses," Pat said. And from the tail of his eye, he saw Harling's secretary stiffen.

"I want to warn you," Harling said. "I was afraid to see you at my house. The men behind this thing will stop at nothing to keep you from investigating."

Pat—remembering the acid tossing in the railroad station, and Toad with his fellow goon in its wash room—smiled grimly.

"I've been attacked already," he said quietly. "Before I could even get to you. Evidently, the men hounding you tried to keep me from reaching you. There must be a leak in your own organization. Have you any idea where?"

Harling paled as he whispered, "I've no idea."

## Our Serial Story

# WHAT HAPPENED IN SUITE 421

By Harry Whittington

"And you don't know anyone who hates you enough to persecute you?"

For a moment, Pat was sure a sob was going to break across the distraught man's trembling lips. But Harling controlled himself with an effort.

"I don't know," he said. "I live in terror of my son's life—and I don't know why they're hitting at me through him. Except that he is—or was—all I have left."

Pat frowned. "Give me the names then of those who gave you the conflicting death reports."

"One was Marjorie Gammage," Sylvia said slowly. "She lives at 877 Arbor Street, on the North Side. The other was a man calling himself Klarson who said he'd been in the Alps with Rodney. He said he was from out of town."

"I'll follow this up," Pat promised Harling. "I'll try to see you tomorrow. I may as well call at your office since my arrival here is no secret."

Harling nodded numbly. His eyes searched the musty room as though he expected to be attacked in his hideaway.

"Sylvia will drive you down town," Harling said.

"Hadn't I better stay with you?" his secretary suggested.

"My chauffeur will take me home," Harling said. "I want you to be as much assistance to Mr. Raffigan as possible."

When Pat went with Sylvia toward a small sedan parked nearby, he asked, "What about Harling's second wife? Why did she commit suicide?"

The girl looked at Pat, and he saw fire smouldering in her eyes as she replied: "Mr. Harling divorced his second wife because she was homesick for her family and visited them secretly. He objected strongly to that. She honestly loved him. The shock of the divorce was too much. It killed her."

"Do you mean then that Mr. Harling is not as loved as he believes?"

The girl laughed sharply as she slipped in behind the wheel.

"He hasn't a friend in the world," Sylvia declared.

Puzzled, Pat got into the front seat beside her. He knew he'd better go slowly there.

"About this Klarson," he remarked casually. "Where does he live?"

Sylvia was driving swiftly, seemingly intent on the thick traffic. Her mouth tightened. At last she said grudgingly, "He told us we could get in touch with him at the Drake-Carlton."

Sylvia pouted when he told her to drive there. He left her in the sedan at the curb before the swank hotel. When he asked at the desk for Mr. Klarson, the clerk shook his head after glancing through the register.

"I'm sorry, sir. There's no one registered by that name."

A disappointed Pat returned to the car. Sylvia looked at him without smiling, put the car into gear, roaring to 40 miles an hour in second. He was about to caution her when he felt some-

thing prodding him between the shoulder blades. He turned slowly, to face the grim faces of Toad and his goon comrade. This time the latter held a gun levelled. Then Raffigan saw the blackjack in Toad's hand go up and tried to throw up his arm, but the blow landed.

Pat felt himself hit again and again, and as he passed out, he knew who the leak was in Harling's office. He'd not found Klarson yet, but he fully realized that Sylvia, the trusted secretary hated the old man. But even as he blanked out, Pat became pretty sure the knowledge was going to be worthless to him.

### CHAPTER III

Pat came to slowly and looked about a refuse-littered alley. His knees buckled when he tried to stand. He could hear the motors of cars nearby. He pulled himself over to an empty packing box and sat on it, pondering his plight. He'd been threatened, warned, beaten, and an attempt had been made upon him with acid.

The other side of the ledger gave him very little lift. A need for money plus a desire to help an old man who

was honest in his heartbreak over the loss of his son. And of course there was a burning desire to meet Toad, his goon pal, and whoever the men and women were behind this little reign of terror.

Pat shook his head. He wasn't backing out. Maybe until today old Harling hadn't had a friend in the world. But Harling was the victim of extortionists and murderers. And they'd been showing him around until the elderly man was on the verge of a breakdown.

"You've got one friend, Harling old boy," murmured Raffigan. "When they started kicking me around, they kicked me over to your side—right or wrong."

Raffigan's raiment was torn and dirty as he straightened himself up and walking to the end of the alley, hailing a taxi on the boulevard. It wasn't until he was in the cab that Pat found he'd been completely cleaned. Toad and company had taken his wallet, credentials, gun, also his loose change, wrist watch and clean handkerchief.

He looked at the taxi driver in the rear view mirror and found that the man had been watching him with narrowed-eyed interest.

"Take me to 877 Arbor Street," Raffigan directed.

"That's a long ride, mister," the cabbie remarked.

Pat smiled. "You're right. But I've friends at that address. I'll pay you, all right."

The cabbie nodded, "You'll pay me, all right."

Raffigan did a lot of thinking on the swift ride across town. He told the cabbie to wait at the curb before the prosperous looking apartment house on Arbor Street. But the sceptical fellow followed him up the steps.

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## MUSICAL SHADES

In considering the painting of a Cezanne or a Rubens, knowledgeable critics are able to read into the picture much of what they call "light shades". None can know less of painting than I do, and yet this aspect of it is so simple as to its effect that one needs to be no connoisseur to appreciate the effect which these great artists achieved.

The same remarks cannot, however, be applied to music. The distinction between "forte" and "pianissimo" or between "allegro" and "andante" is again a self-obvious matter for which no trained ear is needed to understand the difference. Certain music, too, calls for certain treatment—logical treatment even—so that any other form would be completely incongruous.

The solemnity of the Dead March from "Saul" or the gripping drama of Wagner's "Flying Dutchman" overture are perfect examples of what I mean. In the "Dutchman" Wagner has depicted quite unerringly the picture of that strange wraith of the Ocean, tormented and tortured forever seeking peace of his soul and not finding it. No music other than as Wagner has written it could possibly bring to one's mind so clear a picture of the legend he later portrays in the opera.

Take, also Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet" Overture—fantasy. This music again portrays to perfection the ill-fated lovers, who find in the end death as the answer. The sweet-voiced oboe and the suggestion of drama in the background from the double basses is as an effective passage in music as I can recall.

Really to appreciate any music and to realise to the full just how much the composer has put into it, the listener should at least be able to distinguish the individual sounds of the different instruments of the orchestra, violins, violas, cellos and double-basses forming the string family; flutes, piccolos, clarinets, oboes, bassoons and contra-bassoons the wind section; trumpets, trombones, (occasionally the cornet) and french-horns comprise the Brass Section. The percussion department is too numerous to detail, but its main contribution in symphonic works is by means of the tympani.

The test of greatness in a composer lies in his ability to think in terms of orchestration. The basic idea of his work first occurs to him, and he probably sketches out a rough score of a few staves, committing his main theme to paper in this way. But this rough score occurs to him as a complete whole; he hears it played (say) by solo oboe, with clarinets and french-horns filling in the background. A very elementary knowledge of mathematics will serve to show that the permutations and combinations obtainable from the instruments of the orchestra stretch to almost endless lengths. But it does not stop even there. In the lower registers, for example, there is a note almost of melancholy about the flute whilst in the upper register it coverts gaily, like the bird it is often called on to imitate. The pitch of a melody, therefore, may easily alter its effect. Matters such as these are of highest importance to the composer, and he cannot afford to neglect any of them in his desire to achieve perfection in the orchestral interpretation of his music.

The well-known Largo from Dvorak's "New World" Symphony is a case in point. The solo oboe ushers in the melody, without preamble and I can imagine no other orchestral combination building up to the superb effect Dvorak has achieved here, or, again, in the "Trepak" from Tchaikovsky's "Casse Noisette" Suite or Rimsky-Korsakov's virtuosity in his "Scheherazade" Suite, both examples are ideal in the shades of timbre built up by the respective composers.

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So soon, therefore, as the listener is able to appreciate some of these things, so soon will his or her enjoyment of music be the more enhanced. Music which was before just enjoyable now becomes revealed as a masterpiece of intricate sound-patterns.

## SUNDAY

The Symphony Concert at 9.45 p.m. tonight provides interesting choice of ancient and modern music in pleasing contrast. The programme planned is:—

Brandenburg Concerto No. 6. Bach.

"Job"—A Masque Vaughan-Williams.

Pavane. Faure.

Bach's conception of the Concerto, as typified in the Brandenburg Series, is one peculiar to him alone. Those who look for the usual form of solo instrument backed by orchestral accompaniment will find themselves searching in vain. Bach, in his time, must have been, comparatively speaking, every whit as much a modernist as is Berg or Honegger today. Primarily an innovator in musical form, Bach was no slavish adherent to tradition, although records exist to prove he had an unqualified admiration of the classical Italian School, as represented by Corelli and Vivaldi.

The Brandenburg Concertos are in the nature of Grand Chamber Music, where a small orchestra of 6-8 players is employed. As with all Bach's music, there is a solid foundation on which contrapuntal devices are erected with amazing dexterity.

## MONDAY

"Concerto" hour tonight is devoted to a performance of Tchaikovsky's No. 1 Pianoforte Concerto, an intriguing and vastly popular work. Tchaikovsky has devoted to this work all the art of which he was capable, and its first performance was accorded a rapturous reception. In his six symphonies, Tchaikovsky wrote "music that expressed itself in paroxysms of emotion, wringing from the very depths of the composer's being," as one writer puts it. His music is at all times sincere, even if the emotional content is a little obvious. "In every Slav there lies hidden a fatalist, and, combined with a certain fluidity of emotion, running rapidly over the whole gamut of human joy and sorrow, this fatalism engenders in every true Russian moments of gloom and depression such as we Westerners can little appreciate." Thus says Edwin Evans in his admirable monograph on Tchaikovsky. This characteristic to which he refers is probably not so marked in the Pianoforte Concerto to be heard tonight, and indeed, parts of it are positively Mozartian in their joyousness.

## TUESDAY

At 9.15 p.m. there is a performance on cello and piano of Brahms' Sonata No. 99 in F. The old Italian school had partly neglected the cello in writing music in sonata form and it was Brahms, probably more than any other composer, who did much to elevate the status of the cello in sonata music to a position comparable to that of the fiddle.

## WEDNESDAY

An Orchestral Concert at 9.10 p.m.

offers:—

Introduction to "The Creation" Haydn.

Symphony No. 1 Beethoven.

Lament and Triumph of Tasso Liszt.

A Symphonic Poem Liszt.

Together with "The Messiah" and "Elijah", Haydn's "Creation" surely forms a pluperfect trilogy of oratorios devoted to religious matters. There is glorious music in every page of this work and what budding soprano has never attempted—albeit rashly—to tackle the difficult bravura of "With Verdure Clad?" or "Breathes there the man with soul so dead" who has not involuntarily thrilled to the heroic majesty of the music in the chorus "The Heavens are telling the glory of the Lord". In this work, Papa Haydn, to my mind, achieved the peak of his work.

Beethoven's No. 1 Symphony is notable, particularly in that he introduced the Scherzo into it as a movement in lieu of the time-honoured tradition of the minuetto. It is quite incorrect to credit him with being the originator of this idea, since Bach and Haydn had both written music of this type, but had not actually incorporated in any symphonic work.

In this First Symphony, there are many signs of the power yet to come. Developments in symphonic writing are one of the main attributes that must inevitably fall to be discussed whenever Beethoven's name is mentioned.

Liszt gave the first real emphasis to so-called programme music, writing, in all, 13 examples, of which eight are orchestral conceptions of poetic works. Dr. Colles says: "His intention was to produce a musical paraphrase of the thought feeling and colour of the poem, to say in the language of music what the poet says in that of words". "Les Preludes" is probably the best-known of these symphonic poems, but "Tasso" (to give it a short title) is as equally descriptive.

## FRIDAY

Today is a significant one in the realms of music generally and in England particularly, for it is the 70th Birthday of Sir Thomas Beecham. The doyen of English conductors, Sir Thomas has made incalculable contributions to the cause of music and opera in Britain. I recall seeing (or is it hearing?) him conduct "The Magic Flute" at Covent Garden in 1937, and it was an experience never to be forgotten. Champion of Mozart, Sibelius and Debussy in particular, Sir Thomas' place in English music is almost irreplaceable.

It is not surprising, therefore, to find that the programme tonight consists solely of works by Mozart, for the name of Beecham will ever be coupled with that of Mozart. The music offered is:—

"Magic Flute" Overture

Divertimento No. 2

Piano Concerto No. 9 in F.

"Marriage of Figaro" Overture.

The soloist in the Concerto, incidentally, is Sir Thomas' wife, Betty-Humby Beecham.

## SATURDAY

At 9.10 p.m. the "Ring up the Curtain" Series continues with excerpts from Donizetti's operas. Little is ever seen or heard of his music and opera nowadays. Written largely as a vehicle for the operatic stars of Italy in the early 19th century, only "Don Pasquale", "L'elisir d'Amore", and "Daughter of the Regiment" have survived.

## NEWS QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Woomera Range.
2. Paul Robeson.
3. Sean O'Kelly.
4. Rabbi Stephen Wise.
5. The future of India, which is to become a Republic.
6. The Speedbird Solent.

## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. £1,000.
2. The National Government of 1931.
3. For Valour.
4. £410,000.
5. A former Royal Dynasty of France.
6. Shippo.



# Children's Herald

## AT MY TYPEWRITER...



Our club is growing bigger and bigger all the time. As there are so many new members, I want you all to try and do the competitions.

It's no use just becoming a member and not doing anything. Right!

I would like to give everyone a chance to win something once in a while, so I'm going to try something new. Today's competition will be repeated next week, and new prizes given to different people. Those who do not win this week can if they wish submit new entries next week. This will give more people a chance of winning. What do you think of the idea?

If it works well, we might continue it every time. For instance, a crossword puzzle would run for two weeks, then perhaps a word-making or painting competition for a fortnight, and so on. Do let me know what you think, as soon as possible. I shall be looking forward to hearing from you all, because this concerns everyone.

Happy days to you all, from

*Auntie Vee*

### World Spotlight

#### What A Fish!

In British Guiana, the home of the famed Arapaima, the world's largest fresh-water fish, some of the Indians use a two-foot Arapaima fish as bait!

The Arapaima, which is found in the Rupununi River, grows to a length of fifteen feet, and often weighs as much as 400lbs, and one writer some years ago declared: "He who wishes to achieve distinction as an angler should go to the Rupununi with a complete tarpon outfit. He will meet a foeman worthy of his steel."

After being caught, the fish is salted, and keeps for many months.

## Competition Winners

The TOT Competition was wonderful. So many beautiful entries that I really had a hard time to pick out the winners.

However, the two first prizes of \$5 go to Jorge Remedios Jr., of 16 Hillwood Road, ground floor, Kowloon and Henry Hamid of 114, Tung Lo Wan Road, 2nd floor, Hong Kong.

Consolation prizes of \$2 each go to Tang Lau Ching of 104

Thomson Road, ground floor, Wanchai, Ruby Bux of 16 Yee Woo Street, Hong Kong, Sung Che Yuen of 7 Lock Road, Ground floor, Kowloon, Beverley Stewart of 292 The Peak, Hong Kong, Henry Chan of 7 Li Yuen Street, West, 2nd floor, Hong Kong and Robert Cheung of 24 Yick Yam Street, 1st floor, Hong Kong.

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### APRIL

April, April,  
Laugh thy girlish laughter;  
Then, the moment after,  
Weep thy girlish tears!  
April, that mine ears  
Like a lover greetest,  
If I tell thee, sweetest,  
All my hopes and fears,  
April, April,  
Laugh thy golden laughter,  
But, the moment after,  
Weep thy golden tears!  
SIR WILLIAM WATSON.

## The Costume Party

Andrew and Judy were going to Betsy Brown's costume party on Friday night; and Judy didn't know what to wear. She had planned on wearing her clown suit, but that horrible Patsy Thomas was wearing one and she couldn't. She did think of renting a suit, but she didn't have any more money.

She ran to her father and begged him to give her some, but he said, "You just got your allowance yesterday."

Judy said, "But I did want that new handbag." "Well, no more for today," said Dad.

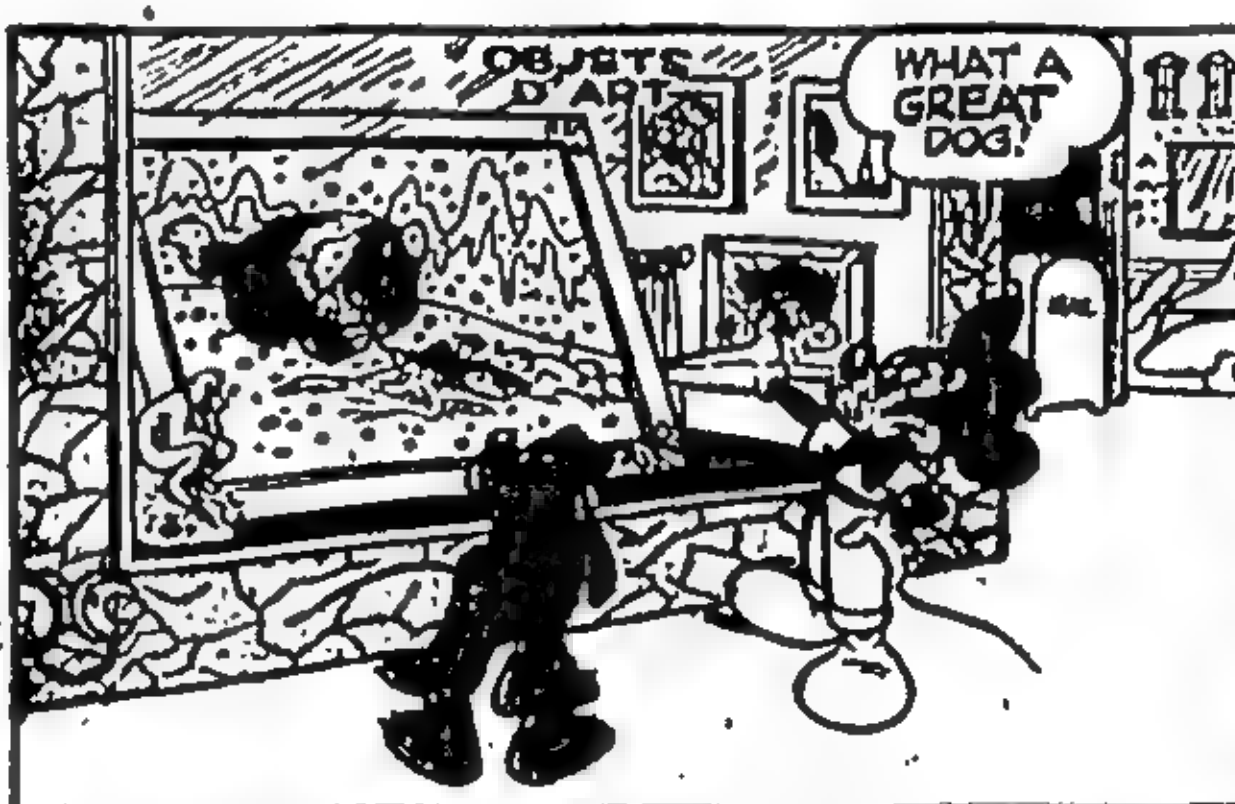
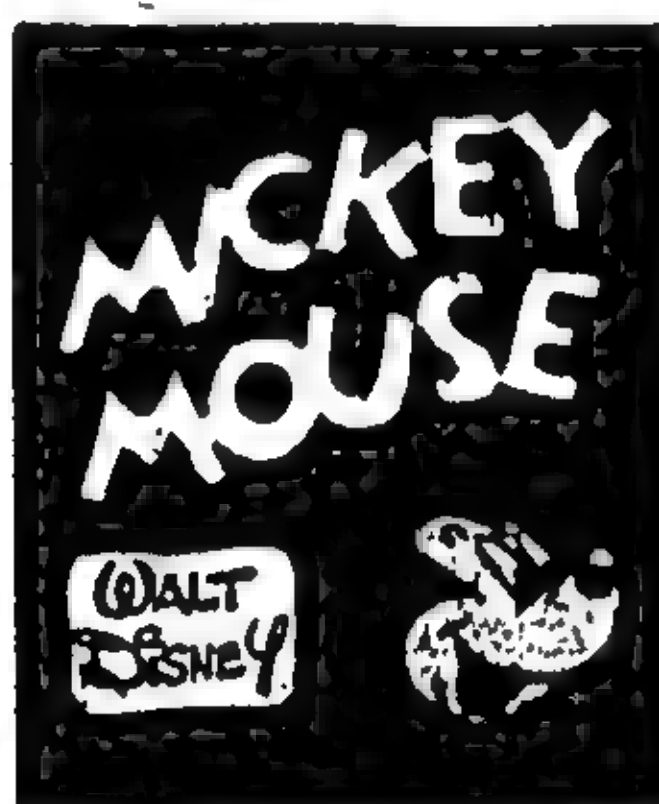
To Judy it seemed like the world was coming to an end. She

sighed and walked over to her mother, who was sewing at the sewing machine. Then all of a sudden Judy picked up all the scraps of old material she could find, and asked her mother for them. Her mother said, "Yes, of course, but what do you want them for?"

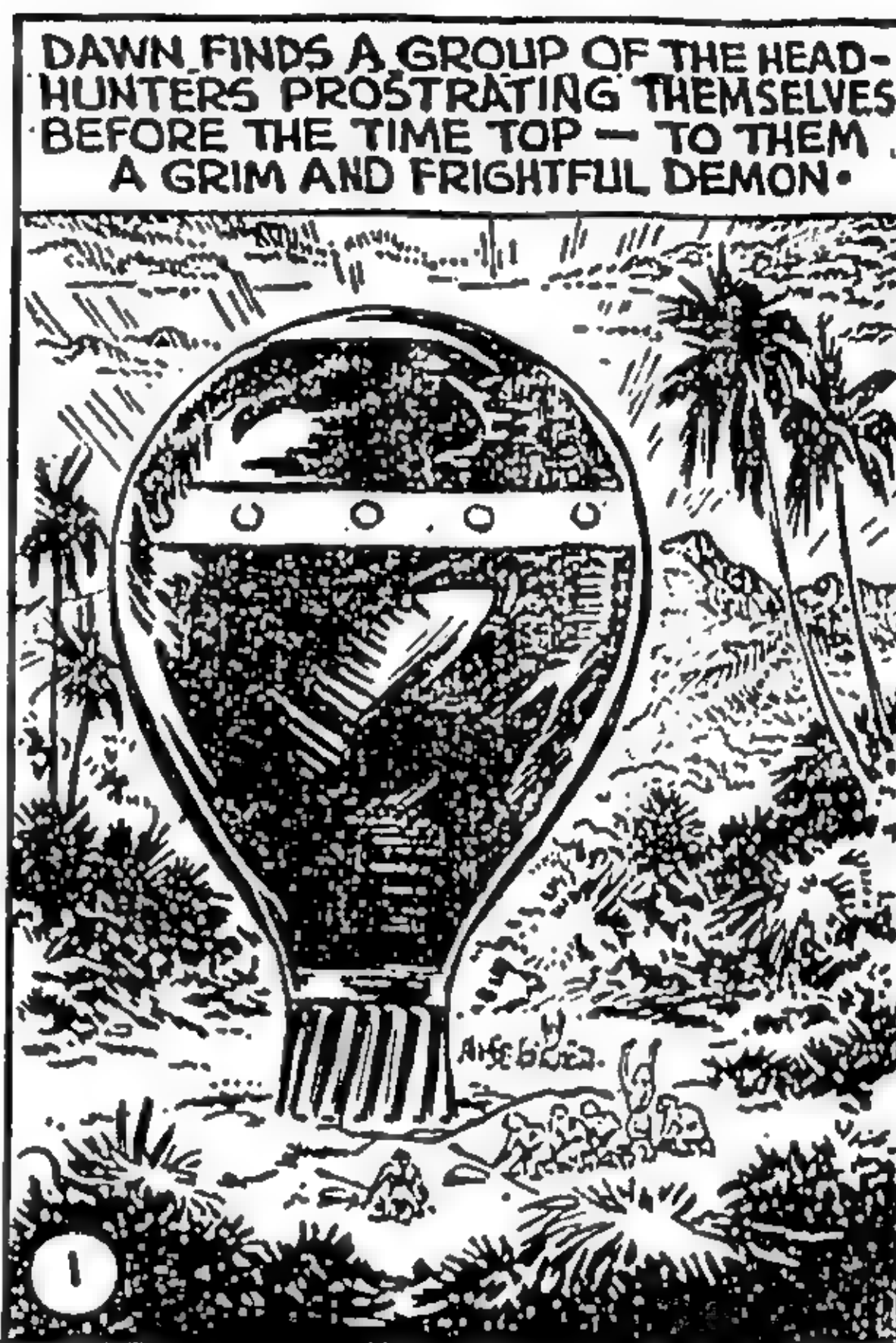
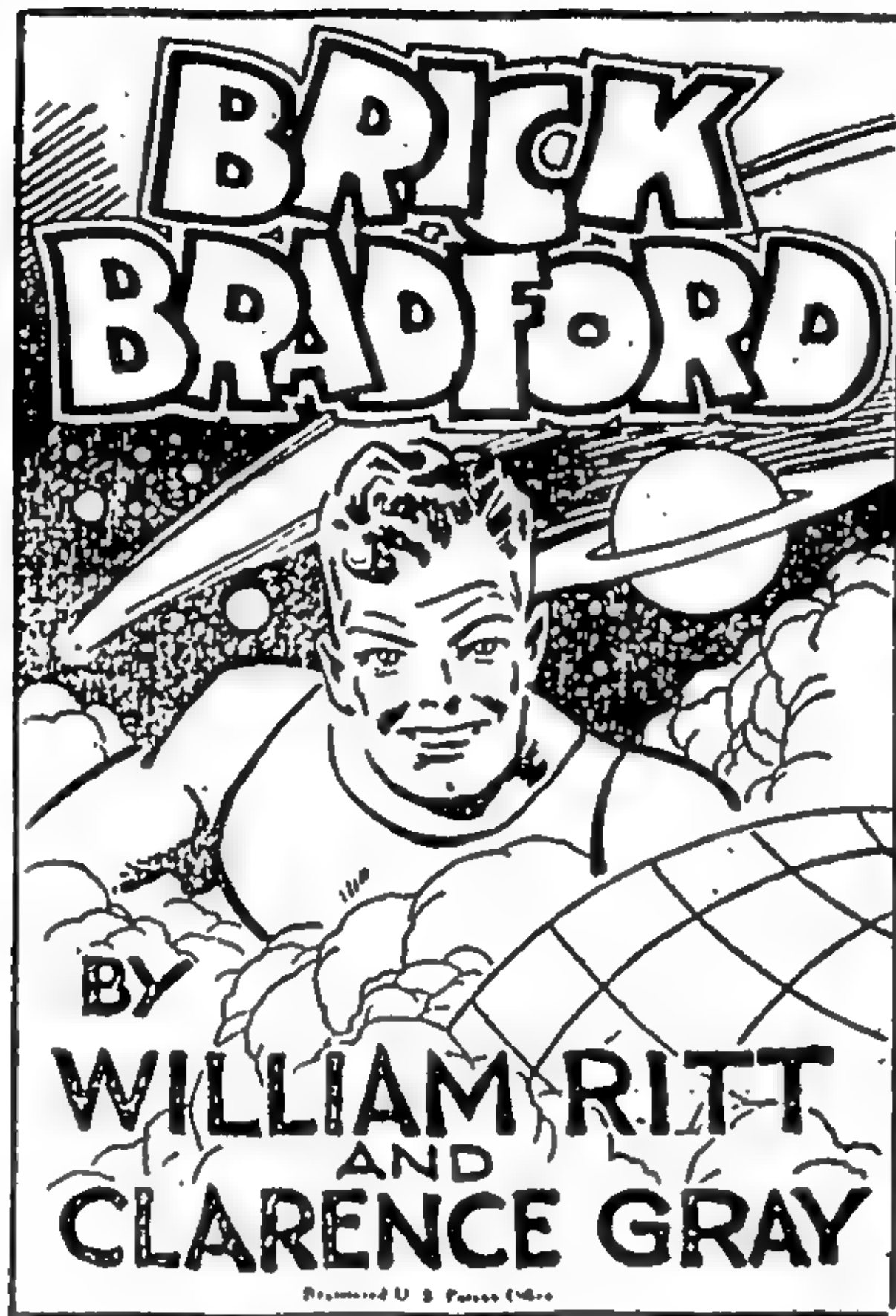
"I haven't time to explain, Mother," was Judy's reply. Then she ran to her room and took down one of her old dresses from the wardrobe and went to work. In less than an hour it was finished. Now the dress looked like a poor little girl's dress.

She wore the dress to the party and won the first prize for the most real-like costume.

Honour certificate to Annie Chan of 7, Norfolk Road, Kowloon Tong.







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NEXT WEEK  
WIN  
OR  
LOSE?



BUZ SAWYER

By Roy Crane

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"A STORM"



Far on the horizon, storm clouds were gathering, a wind was getting up, and the sea was beginning to get rough.

"There's going to be a storm," muttered the first Lieutenant of the Destroyer, HMS Reward, which was outward bound to Singapore.

No land could be seen, only the rough, grey English Channel, and now the ship began to pitch and roll, as the waves splashed around her.

The wind had now reached gale force, and the men on the bridge wrapped their warm woolie scarves closer to them, as the biting wind screeched around them, sweeping away anything that was not fastened down.

Men could not stand unless they were gripping with all their might on to something, and men coming up from below were swept off their feet, causing many casualties to be taken to the ship's hospital.

The waves were now hurling themselves right over the ship, and every man was drenched and frozen by the cold water, and chapped by the biting wind.

"Never have I been in such a storm," said the Captain to the midshipman on watch, "It's really a wonder no one has been swept over-board."

It went on like that, for all that night, and all the next day and night. But on the following morning, the sea was calm and the day was warm.

No one could have guessed there had been a storm, except for the condition of the ship and exhaustion of the men.

Honour certificate to Anne Simons of Cherry Hill Lodge, Ho Man Tin, Kowloon.

The Life Of A Rose

I am a rose. One day a farmer cut me from his bush to sell. I was very happy for I was together with my companions. Now we were brought to a flower shop and was sold for a dollar for three.

When the farmer went away, a lady came to the shop and bought us.

She went home quite pleased with us and put us in a beautiful vase with fresh water in it.

After two days our petals began to drop and when the lady saw us all withered she threw us away.

We felt sad, but what can we do?

Honour certificate to Joan Whit of 41, Peking Road, 1st floor, Kowloon.

Who Am I?

My first is in alley and also in lane,  
My second is in aching and also in pain,  
My third is in London but never in Leeds,  
My fourth is not in action but twice seen in deeds,  
My fifth is in window but never in pane,  
My sixth is in harvest and also in grain,  
My seventh and eighth are the same and the last,  
My whole is an Aussie—a bowler quite fast.

Answer: "pumpkin"

Honour certificate to John Adams of St. Joseph's College, J. Kennedy Road, Hong Kong.



## A Story Of Alcott And Minotaur

Somewhere in ancient China there was a village. In this village there was an old temple. Inside the temple there was a long passage which twisted and turned this way and that way.

Whoever went into the temple soon lost his way. No matter how long they walk, they never come back to the open air again. They called this temple the Labyrinth, and in the Labyrinth there was a dreadful bull called Minotaur.

Many brave heroes who went into the Labyrinth lost their way and were killed by the terrible bull. One day there came a stranger and his name was Alcott from the mountains. When he heard about the bull, he became very angry and decided to go into the Labyrinth and kill the bull.

Before he went into the Labyrinth he took a ball of thread and tied it on one end to the gate. He knew that he could get out again by following the thread.

He then went into the temple and within a few days' time, Alcott found the Minotaur. After a great fight he killed the terrible bull. Then he turned back by following the thread, until he came to open air again. When he reached the open air he told the people of the village that the monster was dead and everyone were happy.

Honour certificate to John Williams of 367, Queen's Road, West 2nd floor, Hong Kong.

## MY KITTY

I have a little kitty,  
Sally is her name.  
She has a little brown knee.  
And isn't very tame.  
She runs round the garden,  
And tramples all the flowers,  
And then the gardener goes to work.  
For many, many hours.  
She tears my mother's nylons,  
And my father's boots,  
And when she sees I'm out of sight,  
She tears my Sunday suits.  
But though she is so naughty,  
And often makes me shout,  
She's a very good companion,  
When everybody's out.

Honour certificate to S. A. Rama of 62, Jardine Bazaar, 1st floor, Hong Kong.

## Our Dog

Our dog is half a terrier, she is a very obedient dog and has a funny little beard and a long fluffy tail.  
She is very fond of cats and does many clever tricks, also she loves to go for walks.

Her name is Susie, she is just about to have pups.  
A lovely big basket is in our room for her and she sleeps there every night.

There are three other dogs in the flat below us and Susie is very scared of them.  
Susie has one meal a day, and gobbles it up as fast as she can.  
She is really a very friendly dog and I'm sure if you see her you will like her too.

Honour certificate to Jennifer Billingham of 11, of 184A, Mt. Kellie, Hong Kong.

A snail was climbing a cherry tree when a grub sarcastically said: "You're wasting your time. There's no cherries up there." "Don't worry," replied the snail. "There will be when I get there."

## THE LONE RANGER





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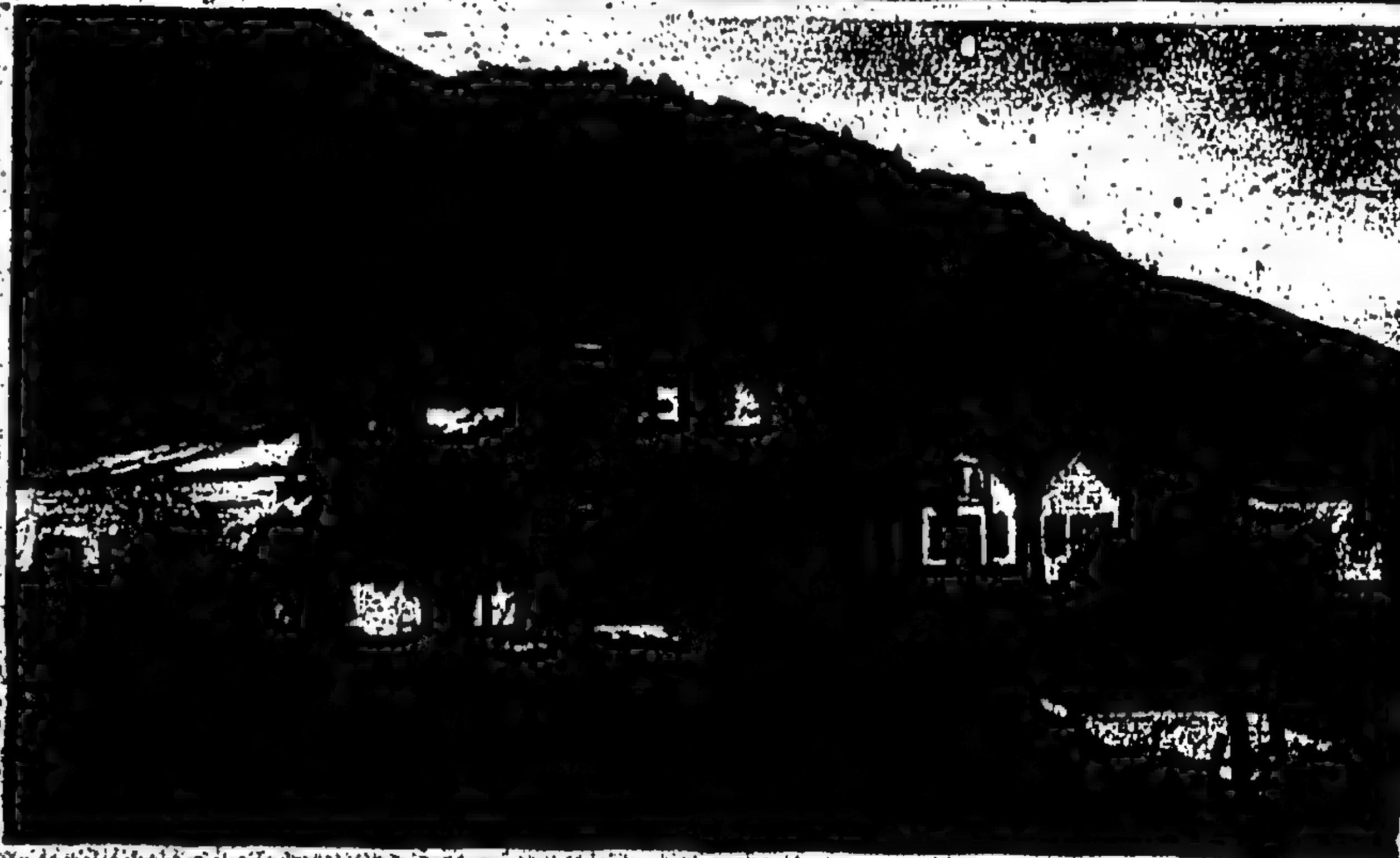
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The Bible Auditorium — first of its kind here — sponsored by the Seventh Day Adventists Mission, opened last week on the Mainland. More than 1,000 flocked to the Auditorium to hear the musical show and listen to the sermon by Mr. F. W. Detsmore. ("China Mail" photo)

Mr. Henry Meisner played a number of selections on the violin at the opening night of the Auditorium. ("China Mail" photo)

One of the three 10-storey residential buildings which the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation is constructing for some of its Portuguese staff at the far end of College Road, Kowloon. ("China Mail" photo)



This is the Home for Aged Women recently opened by Mr. J. Barrow, Commissioner, New Territories, at Shatin. The Home is supported by donations from supporters of Taoism, Buddhism, and Confucianism. ("China Mail" photo)





Crowds turned out to attend the Easter Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club at Happy Valley last week. ("China Mail" photo)



Hong Kong delegates special Solent flying-boat where a



Mr. Donald Black, amateur jockey, receives the St. George's Plate from Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell. He won the trophy in the Second Day of the Easter Race Meeting. ("China Mail" photo)

Mr. Ginnar Leo, manager of Universal Pictures, and Mr. George Sun (on left), manager of King's Theatre at the Shooting Competition Stall organized in conjunction with the screening of "Man-Eater of Kuomun." ("China Mail" photo)



Ben Wyvis (Donald Black up) finishing first in the Eight Race of the Easter Race Meeting to win the St. George's Plate. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell





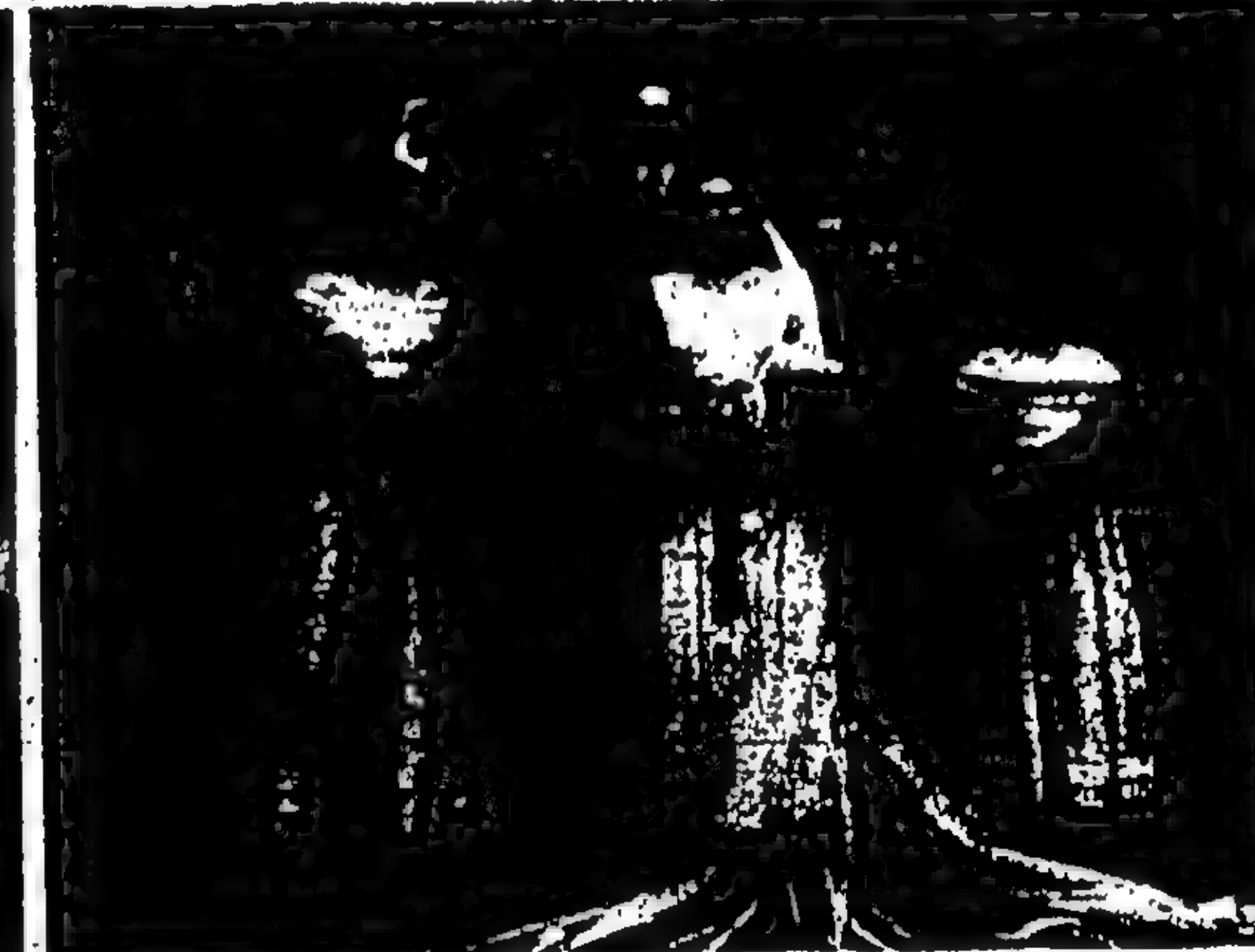
ates to the British Industries Fair. They left for London last Wednesday by the of BOAC. On Right: Mr. U Tat-chee, thanking the hosts at the Tai Tung Res- arewell party was given in honour of the delegates. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Soclet, who were married at St. Joseph's Church on April 16. ("Ming Yuen" Studio)



Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Evans following their wedding at St. Theresa's Church, Kowloon, on Easter Monday. ("Ming Yuen" Studio)



Mr. Wang Pak-sum and Miss Yeung On-may were married in Hong Kong last week. A reception was given at the Kam Ling Restaurant where this group photograph was taken. ("Sun Ying Ming" Studio)



Mrs. Stewart Grant following their wedding at the English Methodist Church, Wanchai, on April 16. ("China Mail" photo)

and Mrs. A. M. Campos and their friends and relatives photographed outside Church, Kowloon, on Easter Monday. The couple were married in the Church. ("China Mail" photo)





The value of Albi "R" Fire Retardant Paint was demonstrated at North Point last week. Among the many who witnessed the demonstration was Mr. W. McL. Smith, Chief Officer of the Hong Kong Fire Brigade.

Two wooden structures were set alight. The one, sprayed previously with Albi "R" paint withstood the flames and the intense heat from the other burning structure.

Albi "R" paint protects against fire. Exposed to fire the coating swells to develop an insulating mat which prevents spread of fire and retards penetration and transmissions of heat.

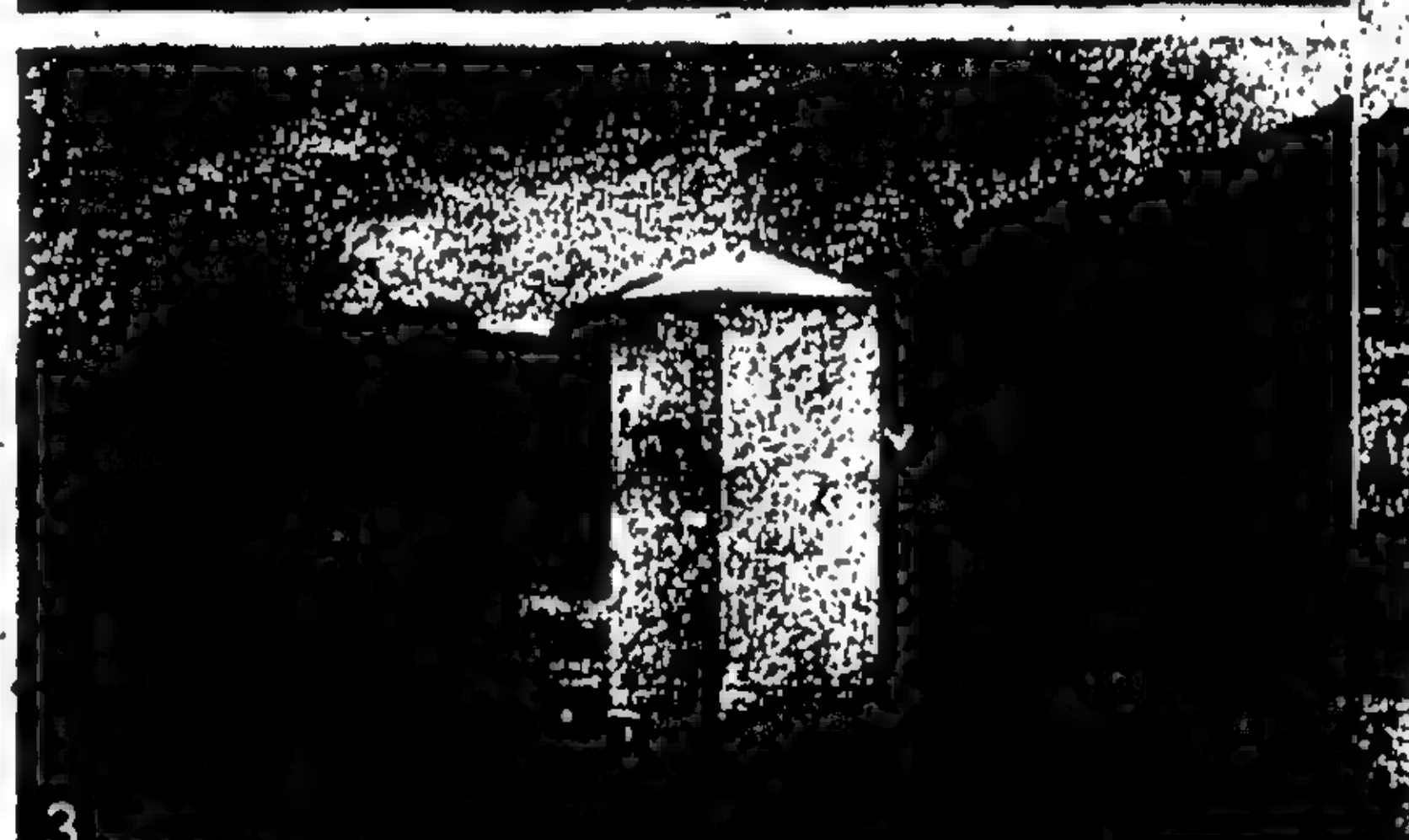
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Mr. J. C. M. Grenham explains the discovery and uses of Albi "R" paint at North Point to spectators.

Wood shavings, firewood and kerosene soaked cotton waste in the two wooden structures burn furiously.

The two wooden structures under preparation for the demonstration at North Point.



Representatives of the sole agents for Albi "R" Fire Retardant Paint, Thoresen and Company, Limited, and the representatives of the distributor, H. C. Patterson and Company, and Mr. J. C. M. Grenham.

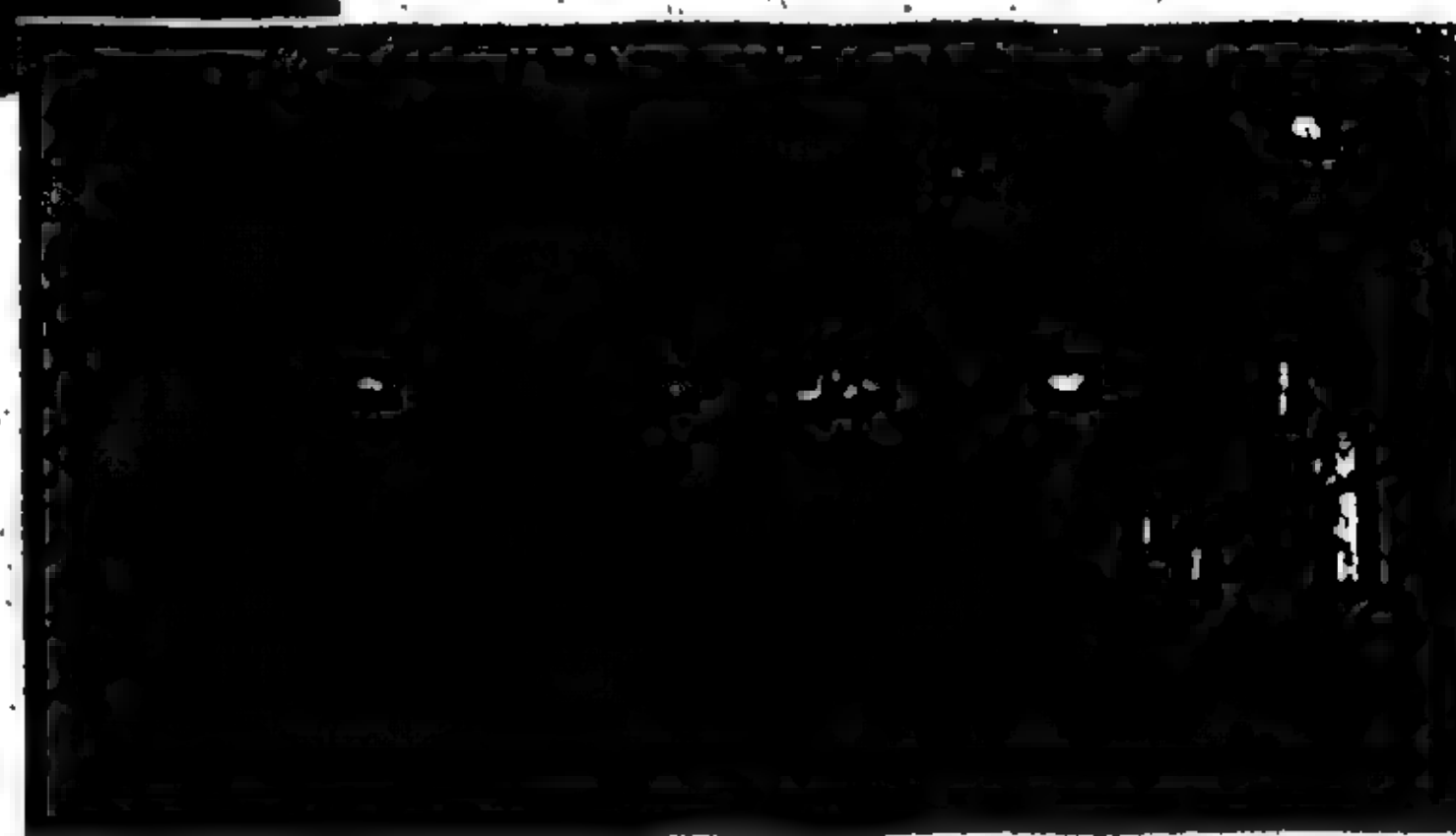


Fanned by a brisk breeze, the structure, not treated by Albi "R" paint was soon completely enveloped in flames. The other retarded the blaze.

A vivid comparison: the structure on the left, treated with Albi "R" Fire Retardant Paint, resisted the fire.

Fifteen minutes later, the structure not sprayed with Albi "R" paint was razed—only the frames remained.

Spectators including Mr. C. W. Brand, Deputy Chief Officer, Fire Brigade, inspect the spongy black substance which formed on the treated structure to prevent the penetration and transmission of heat.



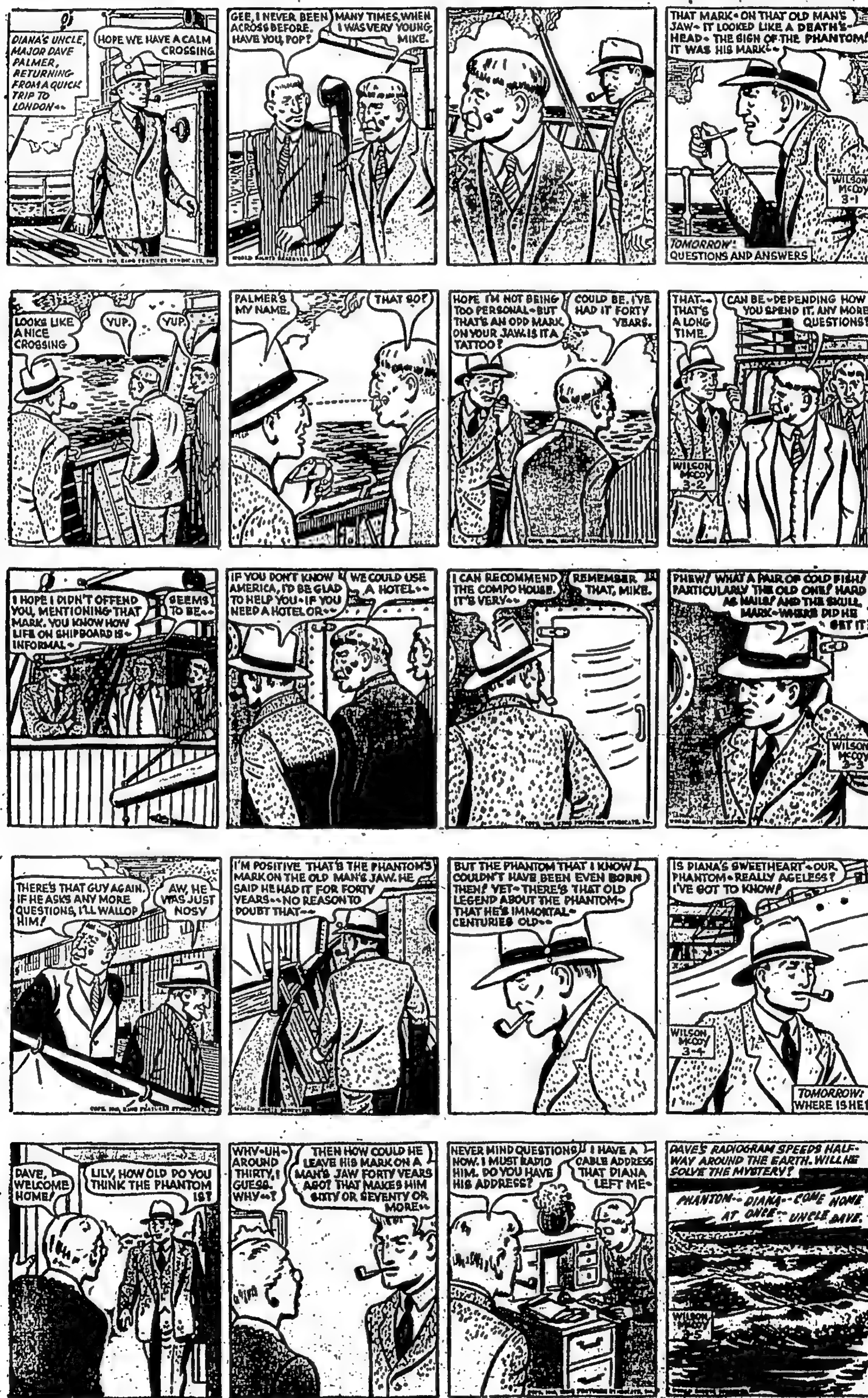
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THE PHANTOM

By Lee Falk and Ray Moore



Step By Step



To do these "Step-By-Step" drawings, start with the simple lines of Figure 1. Then add the other ones till your sketch is finished.

Storybook Thoughts

A gingerbread house with a chocolate roof And candy windowpanes. Would be lots of fun to live in, I think, But what would you do if it rains?

With a magic wand you could have fairy wings. Be a giant or princess, but then What would you do if you lost your wand And you couldn't change back again?

Oh, I like to read about gingerbread houses Gay princess and fairy wings, But for all other times I'm just as glad I have real, not make-believe, things! IDA TYSON WAGNER

"I like my job," explained the taxi-driver to the reporter, "because I run into so many interesting people during the course of my day's work."

Teacher: If you had 16 apples and ate nine of them, what would you have? John: Pains, sir.



# YOUR DREAMS & WHAT THEY MEAN

**DREAM**—To dream of a great hall in a strange place means important decisions to be made shortly.

**HANDKERCHIEF**—Someone has a gift for you.

**HANDWRITING**—It is a good sign to see written documents in your dream. Be careful of new or untested ventures.

**HAIRP**—All pleasant music is a favourable omen in a dream.

**HEAD**—Pains in your head, or dreams about accidents, are warnings of difficulties ahead of you. Preserve, but be prudent, and do not take any risks.

**HEAT**—You have reason to worry over your circumstances but avoid angry thoughts or words.

**HILLS**—These must be looked upon as obstacles. If you succeed in climbing the hill, you will put things right with perseverance. The easier the ascent, the better for your future.

**HOME**—To dream of your old home school indicates continued prosperity, especially to one in love.

**HOSPITAL**—A warning to alter ways of living, which lead to ill health, or a serious misfortune may befall you.

## My Baby Sister

I have a little baby sister,  
Who is growing bigger and  
fatter.  
In and out the house she toddles,  
And finds eatable things to  
gobble.

She pokes her head into every-  
thing.

And here and there she goes  
inspecting.

Sometimes you'll find her, in  
such a mess.

Thus Mummy's care of her  
looks is useless.

But anyhow her smile will  
cheer you.

Whenever she says, "How do  
you do?"

You cannot help feeling amu-  
sed.

Because the words are so con-  
fused.

She copies our simple actions,  
Each day she has some new  
inventions.

Hide-and-seek and see-saw she  
likes best.

Once she starts play she sel-  
dom seeks rest.

When a visitor comes to see us,  
She is alarmed and makes quite  
a fuss.

If she is being carried she'll  
hide her face.

And then peeps at the visitor's  
face.

Whenever she is happy or gay,  
We all like to stay with her all  
day.

But when she is angry and tir-  
ing.

We feel very dull and feel like  
crying.

Though she sometimes behaves  
naughtily.

She is the pride of our family.

She is not very gentle or mild.

And her name is Nellie Child.

Honour certificate to Jessie  
Child, of 45, Chungking Arcade,  
Kowloon.

"My brother has gone to a  
medical school."

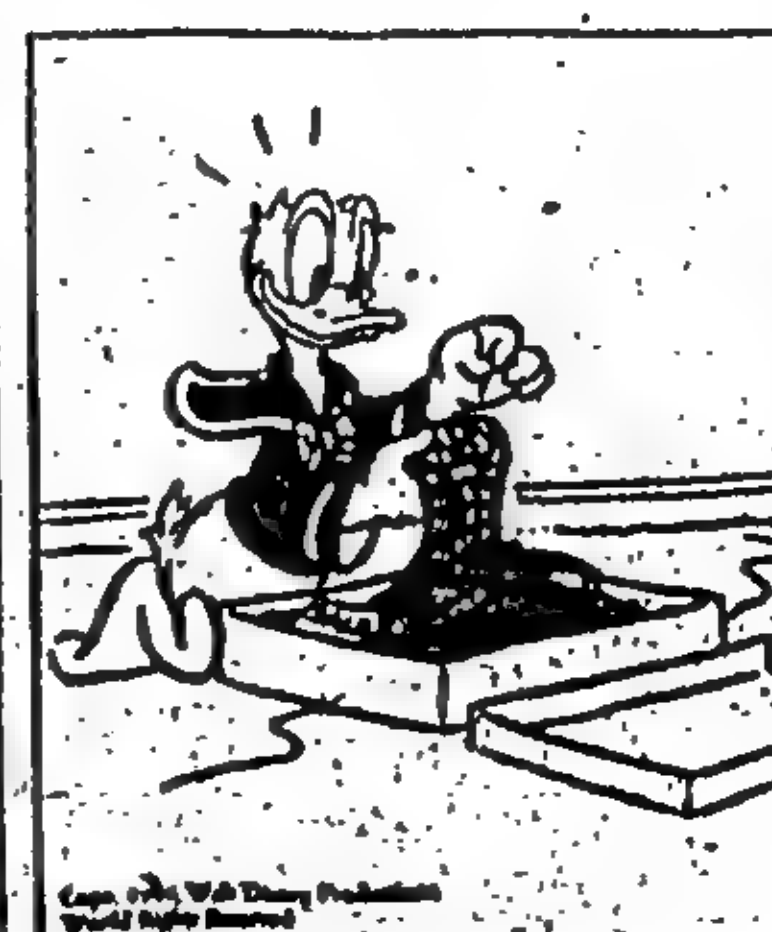
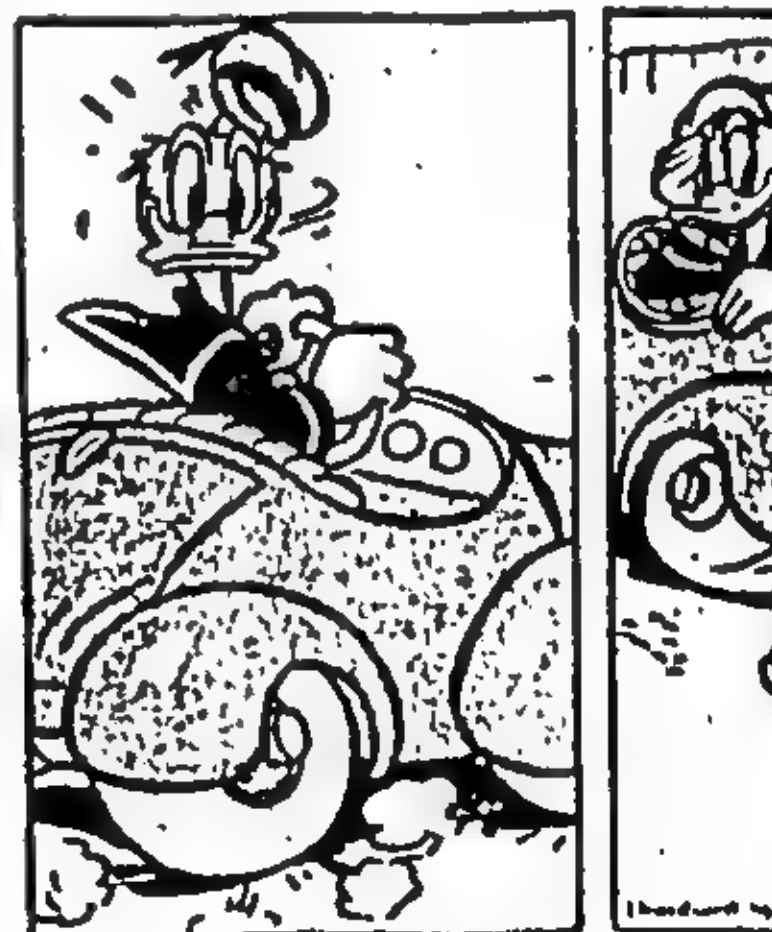
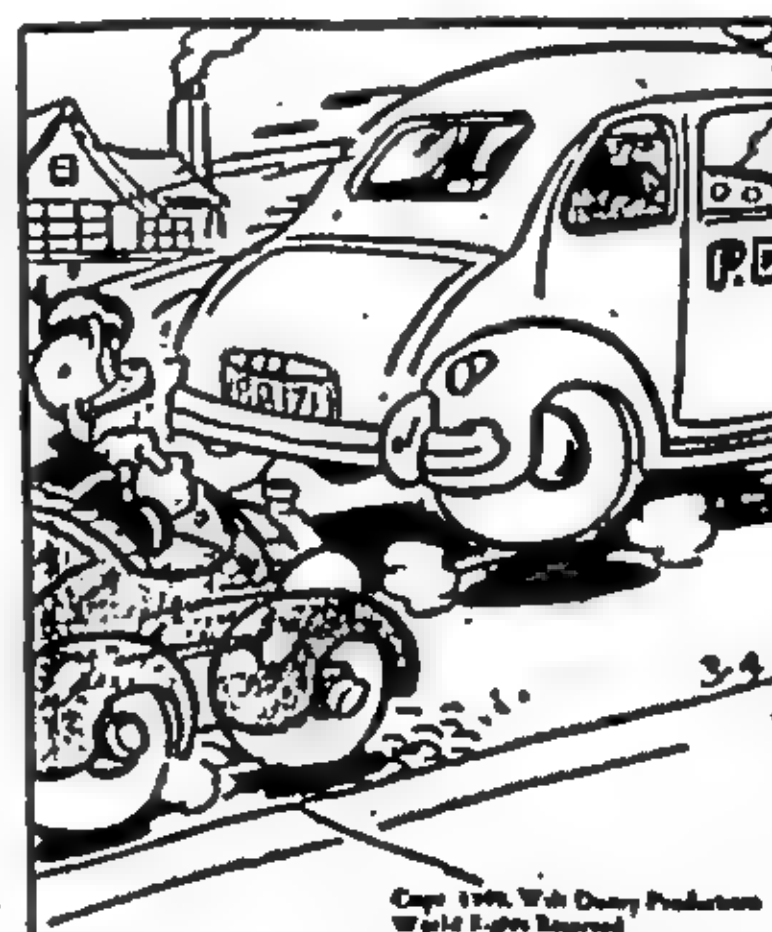
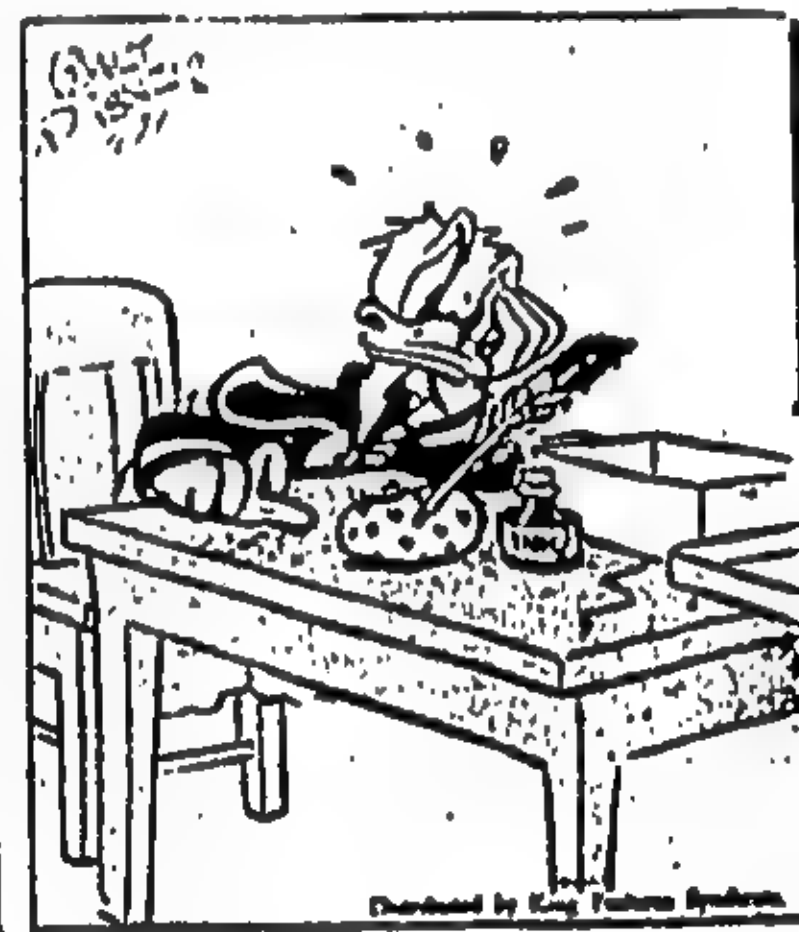
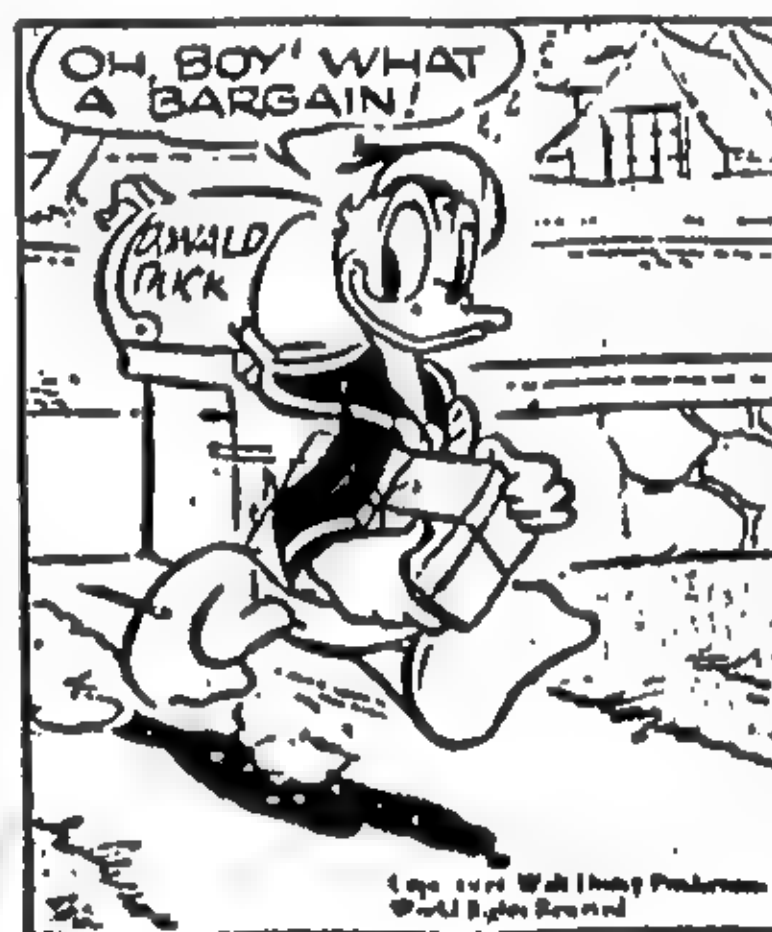
"What is he going to study?"

"Nothing. They are going to  
study him."

Why should a bank cashier be a  
well-informed man?—Because he  
is constantly taking notes.

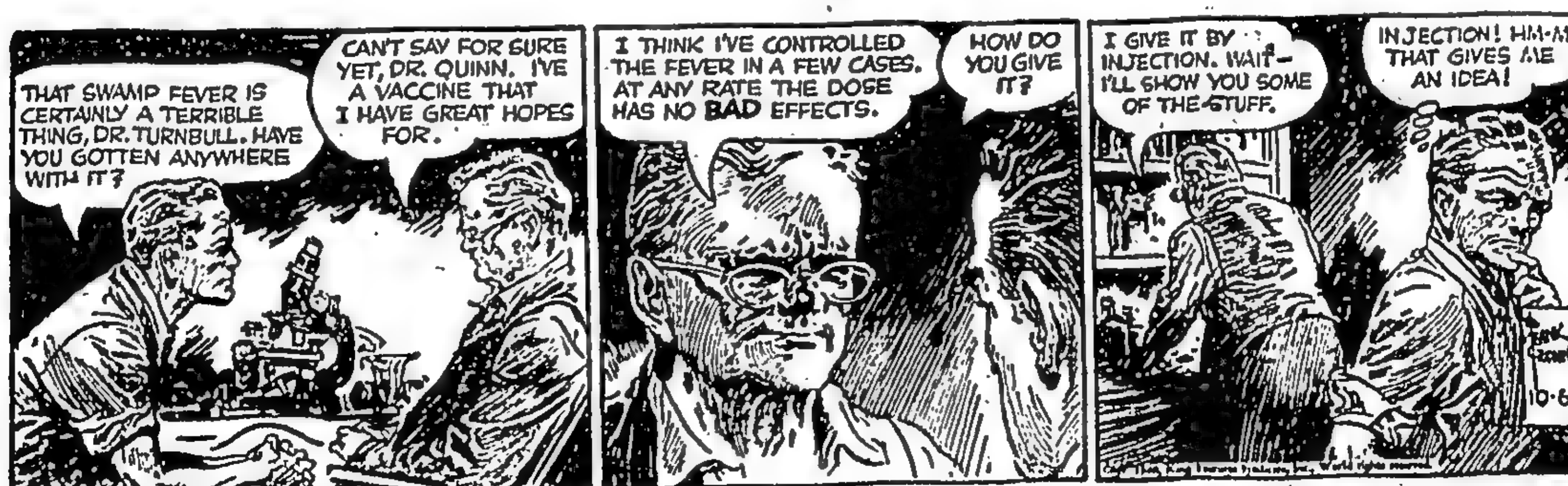
## DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney





RUSTY RILEY



In The Mailbag

TEDDY OHU. I'm glad to know you're now staying down at Happy Valley. Hope you like the place.

GEORGE CHANNING, WILLIAM CHAN, JOAN CHILDE & JESSIE CHILDE. I hope you've all received your certificates.

ZEZITO DE MELLO. If you keep on trying, you'll be sure to win a prize one of these days. So, don't give up.

H.C.C. Members

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AGE: 10.  
HOBBIES: Collecting film stars' photos.

NAME: Edward Passos.  
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AGE: 12.  
HOBBIES: Painting and writing.

NAME: Isabella Palmer.  
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AGE: 12.  
HOBBIES: Stamp collecting.

NAME: Janet Pullen.  
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AGE: 10.  
HOBBIES: Collecting photos and reading.

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ADDRESS: "Normandie" 409 The Peak.  
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HOBBIES: None.

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HOBBIES: Sports.

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HOBBIES: Embroidery and stamp collecting.

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HOBBIES: Dancing and collecting movie stars' photos.

My Kitten

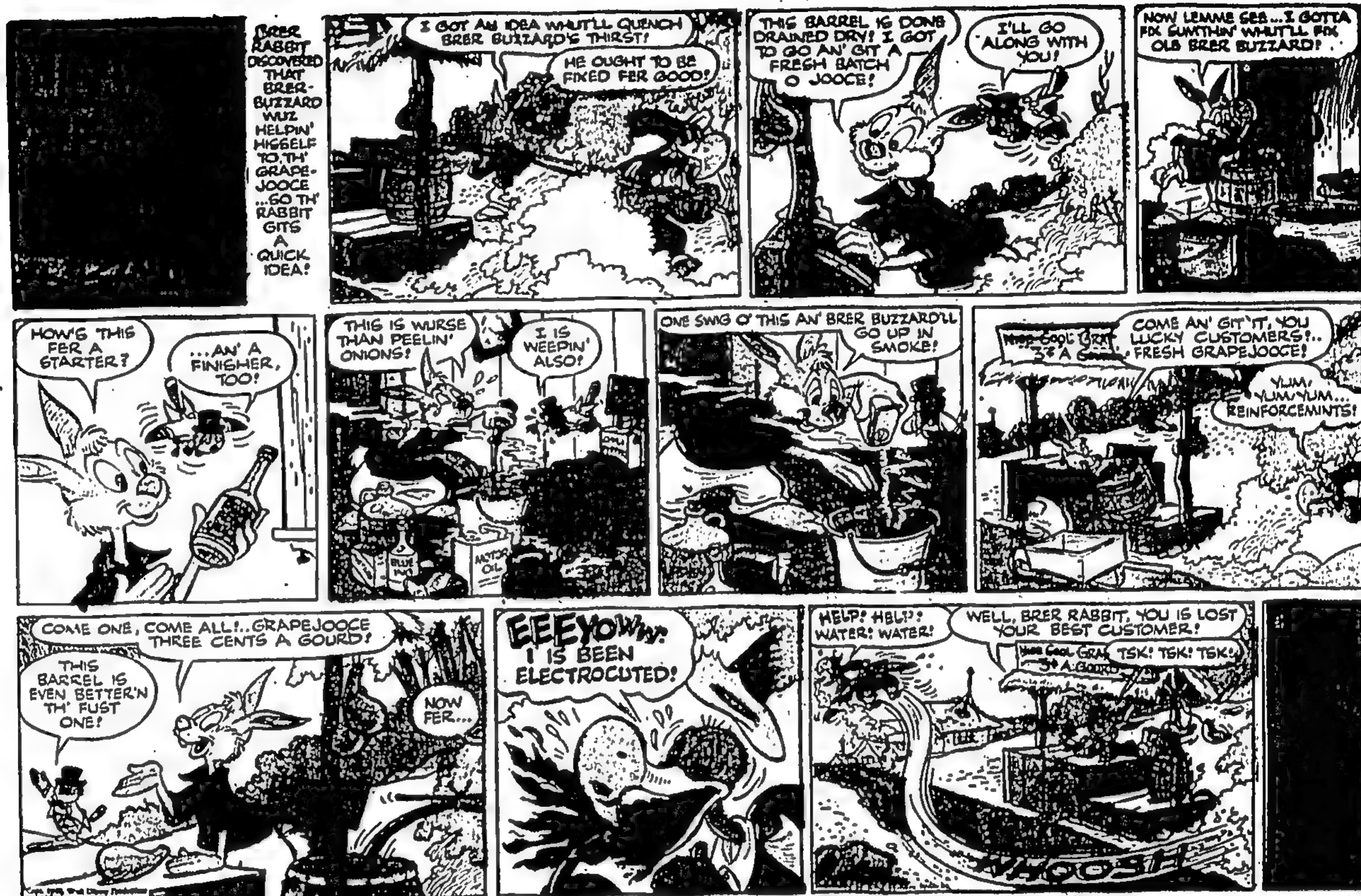
My kitten is as white as snow,  
He likes to sit by the firelight's glow.  
He purrs and purrs when I play with him,  
And answers to the name of Tim.

He likes to play with my balls of wool,  
But simply hates to fall in a pool.  
He always likes a quiet nap,  
And sometimes sleeps in my lap.

He's very useful in the house,  
For sometimes he catches a little mouse,  
And when he's grown a full size cat,  
I hope he'll catch many a rat.

Honour certificate to Jennifer Tuck of 2, Coe's Path, Kowloon.





### A LITTLE BIT OF MAGIC!

Once there lived a man who had a horse. This horse was getting old and could not do any more useful work.

The horse died, one early morning. His master looked sadly at his dead friend and later buried him in his garden so he could be near his beloved horse.

A year later the man was surprised by the visit of a fairy. "One day, my good friend, you will find a long pencil. With it you may write whatever you want and all your wishes will be granted," said the fairy.

"Who are you?" asked the man.

"I am the king of the fairies. When I saw that you were so kind to your horse and buried him so lovingly in your yard, I changed him into a fairy, a good fairy for he had worked so well and hard for you. Now he will wait on you as a magic pencil."

A few days later the man found the pencil beside his bed. Whatever he wanted, he had only to write it down and lo! his wishes were granted.

He lived happily ever after with all his wishes truly and well granted.

Honour certificate to Maureen Beatrice Doran of 17, Homantin Hill Road, Kowloon.

### WORLD SPOTLIGHT

The warden of the jail at Frederikshavn has found it necessary to inform restaurant keepers in that Jutland fishing port that he will not be responsible for debts incurred by his dog "Rolf."

Rolf has long had a local reputation for wisdom, but his activities are now beginning to bring grey hairs to the head of his master. The other day he entered a restaurant where, taking advantage of the temporary absence of a guest, he jumped on a chair and drank a plate of soup.

A few minutes later when the guest had again been called to the telephone, Rolf returned to the table and ate a pork chop which had just been served. When this was pointed out to the waiter it was decided that a bill for 4s 3d, plus a charge of 9d "for service" should be sent to Rolf's master.

Frederikshavn's grocers, bakers and restaurant keepers have now been told that no bills will be

paid for food consumed by Rolf unless he has with him a written order or the money to pay.

As a result of appeals in the Press and a fancy dress ball, the Sudan Girl Guides Association has raised two thousand pounds as a start to their building fund.

Girl Guides in the Sudan dress in white with white cotton berets. They differ from those in Britain in that there is no camping, hikes or anything else in the outdoor activities so commonly associated with those abroad.

The reason for this is that Sudanese girls lead a much stricter life at home than their overseas colleagues, and it is not yet considered proper for them to camp out in the desert.

Sudanese girls are, nevertheless, joining in considerable numbers. Hitherto the main elements have been Greek and Syrian.

### Birthday Greetings



LOWISE DIESPECKER

On April 26, ROSEMARY ANN FELTON of 123, Boundary Street, Kowloon will be 10 years old.

On April 27, LOUISE DIESPECKER of Alexandra Building, Room 201, Hong Kong will be 12 year old.

On April 28, ADRIAN JEN-KINGS of 708, Gloucester Hotel, Hong Kong will be 11 year old.

Happy Birthday to the three of you.

Lady: What steps would you take if one of those awful lions escaped my good man?  
Lion Keeper: Very big ones, lady, very big ones!

### The Clever Clown

A circus once arrived at a small town. Now in this circus there was a very clever clown.

One day when he was performing someone in the audience shouted, "Help!" Everyone turned to see what was wrong. Now the clown noticed a man disappearing through an opening in the tent. He saw which way he was headed and he ran through the back of the tent where he knew there was a short cut. Then he ran down the path, through a field, up an alley and waited for the man to come. Then he yelled "Boo!" The thief got such a fright that he tripped over a stone and was knocked out.

The clown had a piece of rope with him so he tied the thief up and called the police. The thief was then taken to jail, the clown received a big reward and the stolen goods were given back to whom they belonged.

Don't you think this clown is a very clever one?

Honour certificate to Irene Anderson aged nine, of 202C, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

### Who Am I?

My first is in ball but not in ball.  
My second is in ideal but not in real.  
My third is in right and also in fright.  
My fourth is in fear but not in fear.  
My fifth is in Henry and also in Helen.  
My sixth is in dance but not in fence.  
My seventh is in angry but not in hungry.  
My eighth is in yellow but not in fellow.  
My whole is owned by everyone.

Answer: Asparagus

Honour certificate to Connie Wong of 85, Robinson Road, Hong Kong.

### Sort out these JUMBLED WORDS—

All these jumbled words are working people. They work very hard, and without them we would not be living in this world so comfortably. Try and sort them out. For answers turn the page upside down.

- (1) Smnos, (2) Derwhoc, (3) Ermin, (4) Mlakdlm, (5) Mialarydd, (6) Monerghist, (7) Ottout-Dowo, (8) Losierd, (9) Hspercdh, (10) Vintora.

### Jumbled Words Answers

Shepherd, Architect, Wood-cutter, Soldier, Mailman, Fishmonger, Mason, Cowherd, Miner, Milkmaid.

Honour certificate to Winnie Read of 23 Lock Road 3rd. floor, Kowloon.

### Little Doggie



Honour certificate to Thomson Cheng of 18, Sun Lau Street, 1st floor, Hung Hom, Kowloon.



## Listening-Post

English-language programmes and news from the BBC in London can be heard in Hong Kong on the following stations:—

(All times are Hong Kong Summer Time)

## BBC LONDON

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE	
5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	18.84 metres
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2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
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5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	18.82 metres
7.00 p.m. to 2.00 a.m.	18.84 metres

News Bulletins are broadcast at 10.00 a.m., 12.00 a.m., 1.15 p.m. (direction speed), 2.00 p.m., 4.00 p.m., 5.00 p.m., 6.00 p.m., 8.00 p.m., 12.00 p.m., on the wavelengths indicated above.

Relays of news broadcasts from the BBC in London, as well as other English-language programmes, can be heard by listeners over the following stations:—

## RADIO SEAC CYLON

19.54 metres	49.25 metres
21.51 metres	49.25 metres

News relays may be heard at the following times: 8.00 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. from Monday to Friday and also at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday on the wavelengths indicated above.

## RADIO SINGAPORE

44.31 metres	35.77 metres
29.95 metres	19.61 metres

## PROGRAMME NEWS

## True Romance

In 'The Music Box' listeners to the BBC will hear Ted Heath and his Music this week. This brilliant trombonist, on whom a poll last year bestowed the title of Britain's Swing King, was once a 'busker'. When he was out of a job and his family had struck bad times, he once played with other unemployed musicians in the London streets. One day he was playing outside a big hotel when Jack Hylton, the hotel's bandleader, asked him if he would deputise for an absent trombonist. Since then Ted Heath has never looked back. For a long time he was in the brass section of Gerald's Orchestra before forming his own.

General Overseas: Friday, 9.15 p.m. and Saturday, 12.15 p.m.

## The Outmoded Tear

The BBC's overseas listeners will hear an amusing talk which Desmond MacCarthy gave recently in the BBC's Third Programme. His subject was 'Tears'. Not one might think, an obviously funny subject, but, as an eminent literary critic, Desmond MacCarthy was considering how popular tears once were in fiction and how unfashionable they are today. As he points out, even the sentimental novelists of our day impose iron self-control on their heroes and heroines and allow them no more than a quiver of the lip. From that he goes on to dwell upon the reason and meaning of tears in life and literature. On the whole, he seems to feel that today we are too suspicious of the generous, sympathetic tear, too apt to think of it as a sign of weakness.

It was not always so. Tears were once 'the noble language of the eye' and an ornament of womanhood. The generation of Dickens and Thackeray was proud of 'a manly tear.' Desmond MacCarthy recalls the scene in the House of Commons during the Crimean War when Lord John Russell withdrew his second Reform Bill. "I know," wrote an M.P. in 1854 describing it, "that the unbidden tears gushed to my cheeks, and looking round could see scores of other careless, worldly men struck by the same motion—and even the Speaker (as he subsequently admitted to me) was affected in precisely the same manner. The face of the Caucasian (Disraeli) yes, of course, as immovable as usual, but Mr. Walpole wept outright."

General Overseas: Friday, 8.30 p.m.

## Sunday, April 24

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE  
10.00 MUSIC FROM GRAND HOTEL  
—Palm Court Orchestra Directed

## B.B.C. Highlights

by Tom Jenkins James Johnson (tenor).

3.10 THE RADIO DOCTOR.

3.15 'TIME FOR WORSHIP'—from St. Charles' Church, Hull, conducted by the Rev. Father Patrick McEnroe.

3.30 BILLY MAYERL RHYTHM ENSEMBLE.

3.45 FOOTBALL RESULTS.

4.15 BEATING OF TATTOO—by the band and corps of drums of the Coldstream Guards in the grounds of Windsor Castle. Ceremony described by Tom Chalmers and Henry Riddell. (Recording of St. George's Day broadcast).

5.30 SUNDAY SERVICE—from St. Charles' Church, Hull, conducted by the Rev. Father Patrick McEnroe.

9.15 'TAKE IT FROM HERE'—Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley, Jimmy Edwards, Wallis Eaton, Alan Dean, the Keynotes, BBC Revue Orchestra, conductor, Frank Cantell.

10.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.

10.15 'MUSICAL MEMORIES'—The George Melachrino Orchestra.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.15 BRITISH CONCERT HALL—LIVERPOOL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Conducted and presented by Sir Malcolm Sargent Two Slavonic Dances: No. 10 in E minor; No. 9 in B major. Dvorak Air on the G String Bach, arr. Malcolm Sargent. Variations on an original theme (Enigma). Elgar.

## Monday, April 25

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.  
11.30 'ME, THE COMPOSER AND YOU'—Richard Addinsell.

P.M.  
1.30 BALLET MUSIC—The Gods Go A-begging (Handel) and 'The Haunted Ballroom' (Toye). BBC Midland Light Orchestra, conductor, Gilbert Winter. Introduced by Philip Cunningham.

2.15 HANDS ACROSS THE KEYS—David Buchan at the piano.

4.15 NORMAN GRIFFITHS—and his Sextet.

4.45 UNITED NATIONS REPORT.

5.00 'THE SMALL HOUSE AT ALLINGTON'—by Anthony Trollope. Final episode.

5.30 'HAVE A GO!'—The Quiz visits the Royal Navy on board H.M.S. Anson.

6.00 'MASTER POTTERS'—A dramatic feature programme by Marguerite Francis.

8.15 BBC NORTHERN VARIETY ORCHESTRA.

9.15 BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Ian Whyte. Overture: 'Suzanna's Secret' Wolf-Ferrari Symphony No. 2 in D. Brahms

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.15 Eric Barker in 'WATERLOO-GED SPA'.

12.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.

## Tuesday, April 26

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.  
11.30 'WELCOME TO OUR MUSIC' with Barbara Sumner, Len Marten, and Ken Morris.

11.45 'COMMONWEALTH' AND 'EMPIRE'.

P.M.  
1.30 'VARIETY SANDBOX'—with Albert Modley, Barbara Sumner, Bill Kerr, Max Geldray, Gene Crowley, Harold Geller, Tuppy Oliver, and Douglas Maynard.

3.15 'VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE'—BBC Variety Orchestra Conductor: Rae Jenkins. Frederick Thurston (clarinet) Joy Hoodless (Australian soprano).

6.00 'FROM THE THIRD PRO-

GRAMME' 'Earth and Air and Rain'—Song-cycle by Gerald Finzi Poems by Thomas Hardy

Robert Irwin (baritone) Frederick Stone (piano) and Alan Rawsthorne's Quartet for clarinet, violin, viola, and violoncello

Frederick Thurston (clarinet) Harry Bloch (violin) Keith Cummings (viola) Douglas Cameron (violoncello).

7.00 AMERICAN LETTER—by Allister Cooke.

9.15 'VARIETY CALLS THE TUNE'—BBC Variety Orchestra Conductor: Rae Jenkins with Dennis Brain (horn) and James Johnston (tenor).

10.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRITAIN.

10.15 'RING UP THE CURTAIN'—BBC Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Warwick Braithwaite, Sylvia Fisher (Australian soprano). Excerpts from the Operas of Beethoven and Mozart. Introduced by Spike Hughes.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

12.15 'LISTENERS' DIGEST'—A programme compiled by Sir Stephen Tallents.

## Wednesday, April 27

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.  
11.00 'THE STORYTELLER'—'The Three Hostages' by John Buchan, fourth of eight episodes, Read by Arthur Bush.

P.M.  
12.15 'TWENTY QUESTIONS'—Anona Winn, Daphne Padel, Jack Train, and Richard Dimbleby, who ask all questions, and Stewart MacPherson who knows (almost) all the answers.

6.00 'MUCH - BINDING - IN - THE MARSH'.

6.30 'THE FESTIVAL SEASON'—A feature programme to introduce the many Festivals of the Arts which are taking place this year in the towns and country of Britain. Narrator: Ralph Truman. Written and produced by Terry Gompertz.

6.00 'CONCERTO'—A series of weekly programmes Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 23 in A played by Phyllis Sellick and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conducted by Clarence Raybould. Programme also includes: Gluck's 'Waltz Fantasia' and Tchaikovsky's 'Ballet Suite: The Sleeping Beauty'.

8.15 BBC MIDLAND LIGHT ORCHESTRA.

8.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING'—My Grandmother's Theatre Book—A talk by Compton Mackenzie.

9.15 BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA—Conductor: Ian Whyte.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL—including edited commentary on the Two Thousand Guineas Race at Newmarket.

12.45 BALANCE OF EUROPE—A weekly commentary by Andrew Shonfield on the Recovery Programme.

## Thursday, April 28

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.  
10.30 Bebe Daniels, Vic Oliver, and Ben Lyon in 'Hi, GANG! 1949' with Benny Lee, George Mitchell's Hi Gangsters, The Dance Orchestra, conducted by Stanley Black.

P.M.  
2.45 AS THE COMMENTATOR SAW IT—Racing: Two Thousand Guineas at Newmarket.

5.00 'IN BRITAIN NOW'—A National Magazine.

7.00 SCIENCE AND EVERY DAY LIFE—Professor Gordon Stebbins talks about designing modern houses.

7.15 BBC WELSH ORCHESTRA—Conducted by Arwel Hughes

Harding Jenkins (baritone)

Overture. Yellow Princess... Saint-Saens

'Hear me, yet wind and waves' Handel, arr. Amella Lehmann

Novellette No. 2 (Strings, tambourin, and triangle)..... Coleridge - Taylor

'Arm, Arm ye Brave'...Handel Suite for Morris Dances. Foote

Waltz of the Flowers..... Tchaikovsky

March Lorraine.....Gann

8.30 'SONGS AND SHANTIES'—BBC Men's Chorus Conductor: Leslie Woodgate Stanley Riley (baritone) Frederick Stone (at the piano).

8.15 'LEFT'S MAKE MUSIC'—Sydney Lipton and his Orchestra with Lee Lawrence and Pat Hutton.

9.15 PIERRE BERNAC (baritone).

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL.

11.15 'THE PUPPET PULLED THE STRINGS'—A comedy for broadcasting by Charles Hutton.

12.00 JERSEY INTERNATIONAL ROAD RACE—A commentary.

Friday, April 29

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

A.M.  
11.00 'MEET THE COMMONWEALTH'—JERSEY INTERNATIONAL ROAD RACE—A recorded commentary.

P.M.  
12.15 BBC SCOTTISH ORCHESTRA Conductor: Ian Whyte.

1.30 'HI, GANG! 1949'.

6.00 AMANDA MAKITTRICK ROSE—A tribute to the alliterative lady of Larnie, by Dennis Johnston and Douglas Cleverdon.

7.00 'THE PRESS AND THE PEOPLE'—The elements which make up a newspaper, and methods of presentation and distribution are analysed by David Keir and Ronald Collier.

8.30 'FROM THE THIRD PROGRAMME'—Tears—A talk by Desmond MacCarthy.

8.45 STAR VARIETY—Billy Thorburn and Maurice Keary.

9.15 Ted Heath and his Music in 'THE MUSIC BOX'.

11.00 RADIO NEWSREEL—including edited commentary on the One Thousand Guineas Race at Newmarket.

11.15 'CONCERTO'—A series of weekly programmes William Walton's Concerto for violin and orchestra in B minor, played by Campbell and the BBC Northern Orchestra, conductor, Charles Groves. Programme also includes Haydn's Symphony No. 88 in D.

12.15 'ME, THE COMPOSER, AND YOU'—In which Robert Trednicky brings to the microphone a leading British composer of light music, 8: Harry Farr-Davies.

12.45 'WORLD AFFAIRS'—A survey by A. P. Ryan.

Saturday, April 30

GENERAL OVERSEAS SERVICE

P.M.  
12.15 'THE MUSIC BOX'.

2.45 AS THE COMMENTATOR SAW IT—Racing: One Thousand Guineas at Newmarket.

5.00 'THE ADVENTURES OF P.C. 49'—The Case of the Giant Marrow.

6.00 MUSIC IN YOUR HOME—BBC Midland Light Orchestra.

6.30 OPERA—'National Opera'—an illustrated talk by Boyd Neel.

8.30 'GENERALLY SPEAKING'—A talk by Frederick Austin on Sir Thomas Beecham on the occasion of his 70th birthday (April 28) and records of music conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.

9.10 YORKSHIRE v NEW ZEALAND—A commentary by Rex Alston, from Park Avenue Cricket Ground, Bradford.

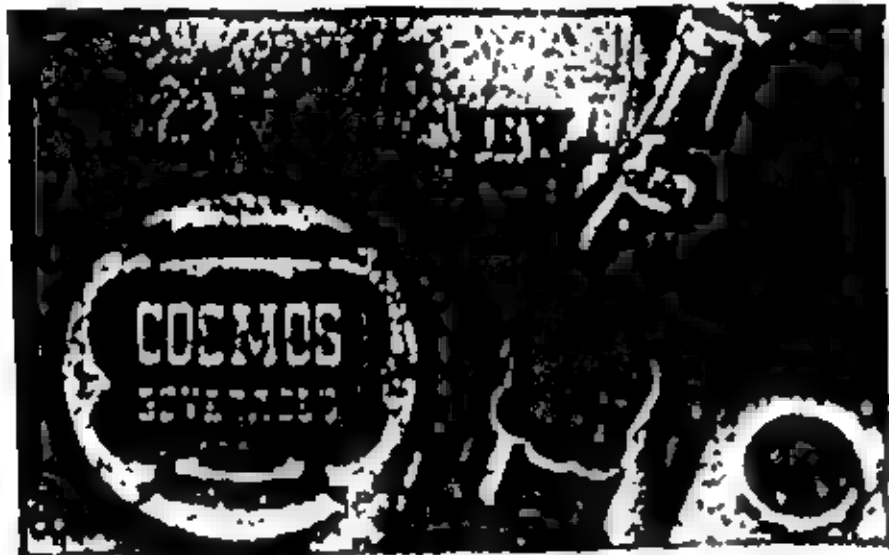
9.30 'BAND CALL'—BBC Variety Orchestra Conductor: Rae Jenkins with Eric Whitley Introduced by Franklin Engelmann.

11.00 SATURDAY SPORT—Association Football: FA CUP Final.

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### Letters Of A Self-Made Girl

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I had a smashing ride on the horse "Dusty" but Mr. Tugg says I need some new boots. It isn't safe for me to canter in my old boots, at least not very fast. I have lost my riding gloves so I can't steer very well. I want a new hat badly. My old hat bumps up and down on my head when I trot.

Miss Allison says I must have a geography book after all so please send me one before Friday as we are learning the Rivers of France. It is very important.

We have a match against a school called Bunting Towers yesterday and I scored 2 goals. May I have some more pocket money. Please!!!! I have finished what you gave me and I want to buy a smashing hockey stick from a girl who is hard up called Clarice. Thank you for the cold cream for my lips, I am longing to climb up the chest nut tree again, only 20 more days now.

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## Over to You

### NEWS QUIZ

1. It is now fairly certain that the United States is to test out various rocket weapons in the wide open spaces of Australia. What is the name of the testing ground selected?
2. You may have read during the week of the "world peace conference" being held in Paris. What well-known singer is taking part?
3. Elre has become a free, independent Republic. What is the name of her President?
4. A world-famous Jew, regarded as the leader of the Zionist movement, died in the United States last week. His name?
5. Commonwealth statesmen are meeting in London. What is most important subject of their discussions?
6. BOAC produced something new (to Hong Kong anyway) in the line of flyingboats during the week. What is it called?

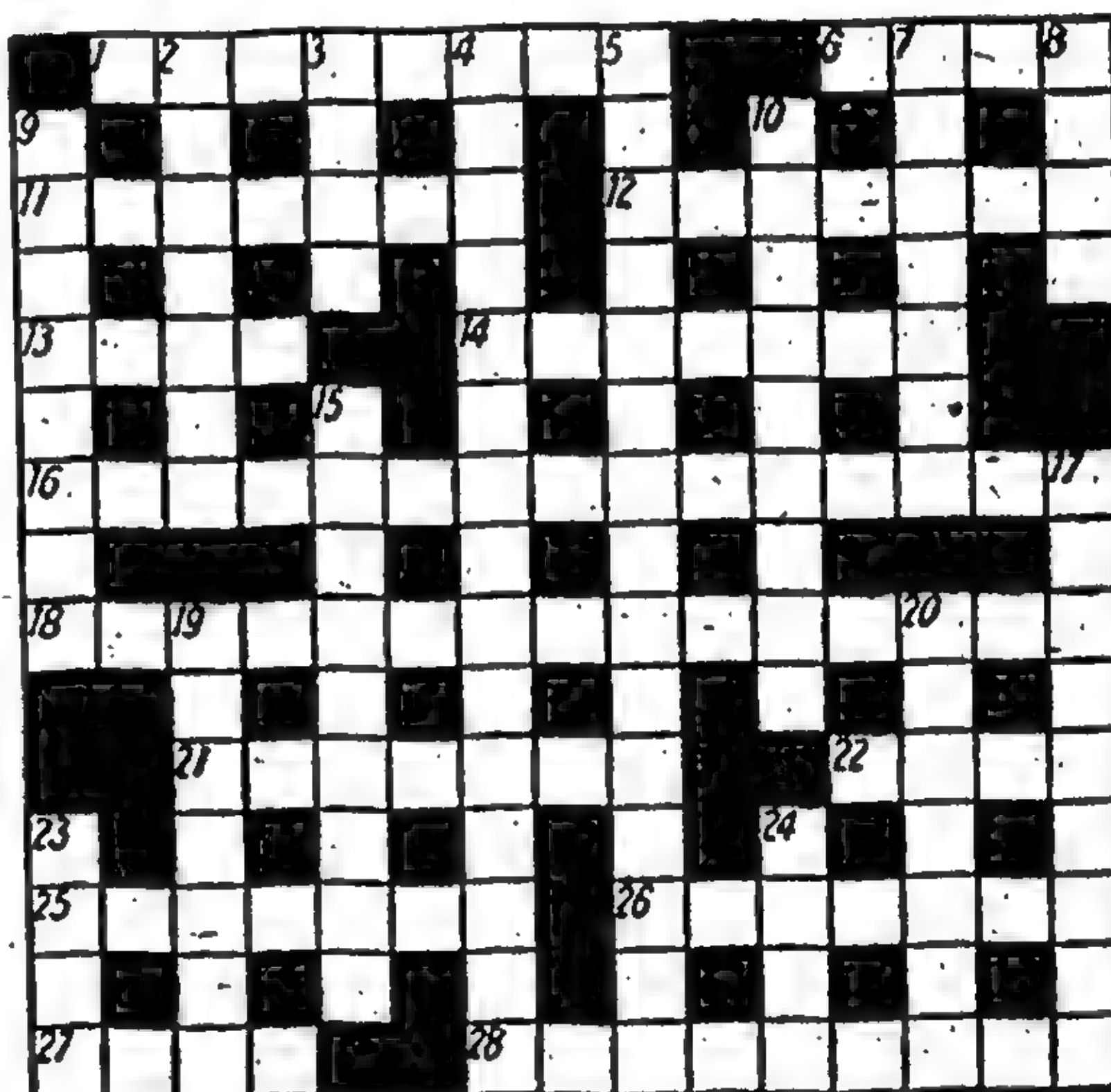
(Answers on Page 2).

### GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. British Members of Parliament are paid better than any legislators in the world except Congressmen in the United States. How much does a British MP get a year?
2. The present Labour Government's majority in the Commons is 180. The biggest majority ever by a British Government was 425. What party was in power and when was it?
3. If you won the Victoria Cross, you would find two words engraved beneath a crown and a lion. What are the words?
4. The annuities which the British nation gives the King are known as the Civil List. What does this sum amount to today?
5. If someone mentioned "Bourbon" to you, what should it call to your mind—apart from a type of American whisky?
6. You all know President Harry S. Truman. What does the "S" stand for?

(Answers on Page 2).

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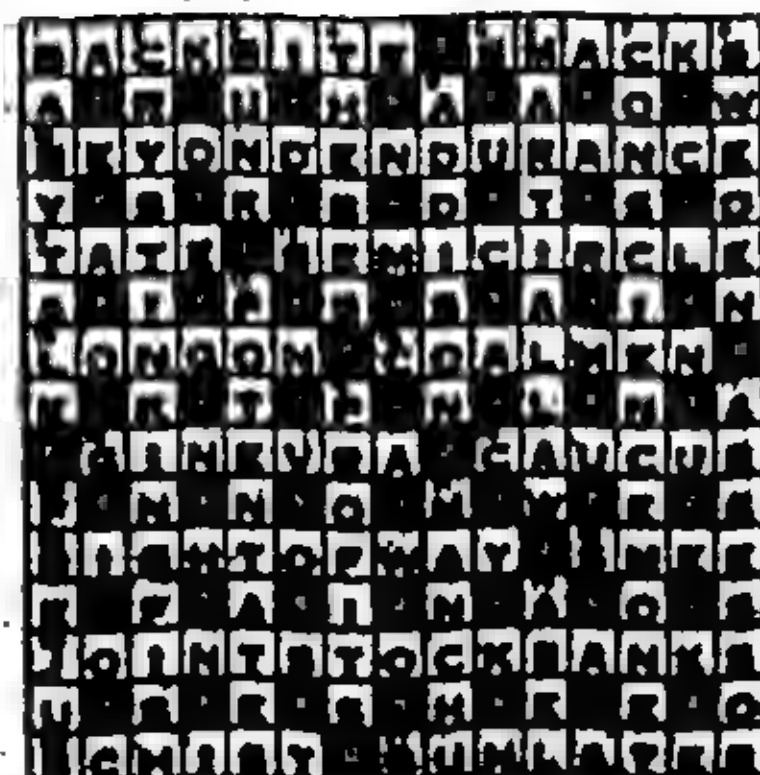
- 1 Describes beauty superficially. (4-4)
- 6 Back Alias for getting food. (4)
- 11 A yard cur? (4,3)
- 12 Did Cleopatra sew with this? (7)
- 13 This purchase is progressively yours. (4)
- 14 Not town in the moors, but in old days the reverse. (7)
- 16 Do they help one to stumble into bed? (7,8)
- 18 Railway loose boxes? (8,7)

- 21 Air sent for a Titan's daughter. (7)
- 22 It is I, suggests the pirate. (4)
- 23 This Peninsula is the Peninsula that includes 14. (7)
- 26 "My Lady,—by a private whim. To his extreme annoyance—him." (Belloc). (7)
- 27 Not gain for labour, but labour, for gain. (4)
- 28 Lately he sang outside. (9)

### Down

- 2 Relatively gentle colour? (7)
- 3 Done wrong. (4)
- 4 The "Busy tone" for fiancées. (10,5)
- 5 He is likely to get going, of course. (8,7)
- 7 An ape, perhaps, at the church. (7)
- 8 All right, see me about it. (4)
- 9 Literary sequence. (8)
- 10 It's a personal draw for both men and women. (3,6)
- 15 Not the rising escalator. (9)
- 17 Men and women here keep up with it, but men only in America. (9)
- 19 He does not profess to be a player. (7)
- 20 There's something very small in the lid. (7)
- 23 Nowadays it's less in almost every house. (4)
- 24 Ancient form of warlike signal. (9)

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## BRIDGE

A point-count standard for an opening bid of One No-trump is not enough. In addition to this some allowance should be made for the strength or weakness of the hand in cards of intermediate value. A hand can be very weak if its high cards, distributed over the various suits, are unsupported by cards of intermediate value.

It is strange that the importance of supporting cards should be overlooked even by some of our more expert players. There were some examples of this in the recent trials for the selection of European internationalists. Opening bids of One No-trump were made on hands A and B in these trials.

HAND A  
S K 5 3 D K 9 5  
H A 5 3 C K 6 5 3

HAND B  
S 8 6 D A J 8 5  
H Q 10 7 5 C A 4

The declarer was doubled in One No-trump, and made only four, instead of seven, tricks on each hand. The absence of cards of intermediate value in hand A is almost complete, while in hand B the few cards of intermediate value were of little help, for lack of solidity throughout the hand.

A point-count method of valuation is very unreliable because it does not reflect the value of Jacks, Tens and Nines as supporting cards. When an Ace kills a King, or a King a Queen, a Jack or a Ten or even a Nine becomes a winner, but if these cards are missing the outlook is blank.

Here is a hand, hand C, with 13 points, the same number as hand A: Spades, A, J, 8; Hearts, K, J, 10; Diamonds, A, 5, 3; Clubs, Q, 10, 9, 7. This moderate hand is full of trick-making possibilities in a No-trump contract. Contrast it with hand A, which might make only one trick. I am not a believer in the so-called "strong No-trump," but I am still less a believer in a "weak No-trump" when the bidder cannot differentiate between hand C and hand A or B above.

## The Chinese Junk

"Chinese Junk" was the subject of a talk given to the British Nautical Research Society by Mr. Worcester who has been studying junks for 20 years.

His aim was to show the audience some of the beauty and grace of Chinese junks which he always loved. In his descriptions of junks: from the borders of Tibet on the Yangtze down river to the coast then South to Hong Kong, he showed many models made of cardboard and coloured realistically, which made a refreshing change from the usual run of lectures by specialists.

Mr. Worcester pointed out that with a little practice it is possible to tell not only from what district a junk comes, but also what it is used for. The general rule seems to be square bow for trade and sharp bow for fishing.

In the course of his lecture Mr. Worcester said there was no doubt that the balanced rudder was invented in China.

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## RUSSIAN PUPPETS SAY THEIR LITTLE PIECE

### Union Fight On Communism In Orient

New York, April 22. The American Federation of Labour has intensified its war on Communism by deciding to open offices in Tokyo and Bombay within the next 10 days. Two of its veteran international experts will leave for the Orient. Mr. Irving Brown will leave next Monday or Tuesday by plane for India. Mr. Richard Deverall will leave within 10 days to open the Tokyo headquarters.

Mr. Deverall returned six months ago from Japan where he served two years as Chief of the Labour Division in General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters. Mr. Matthew Wolf, Vice-President of the AFL, said their talks will be to promote free trade unionism among the workers of Japan and India in opposition to the Communists.—Reuter.

### Death For Slav Nazi

Belgrade, April 22. A Yugoslav People's court today sentenced a Yugoslav war criminal to death and his two assistants to nine years hard labour.

The three defendants, who were handed over to Yugoslavia by the British authorities in Trieste, pleaded guilty before the court at Tuzla, Bosnia.

Members of the Fascist Ustaški organisation during the war, they were convicted of organising concentration camps for German SS units, fighting the liberation army and blackmailing Serbs who tried to escape Nazi persecution.—United Press.

Soviet Russia's delegate told the Communist-supported World Peace Congress here today that the Soviet people do not wish to attack anyone and hate the very thought of war. The bearded Metropolitan Nicolas of Krutitsky and Kolomna declared: "The Russian Orthodox Church considers it the holy duty of every Christian to oppose war preparations by all means. The Orthodox Church believes that the desire for peace will conquer."

Madame Tsola Dragovitcheva, Bulgarian Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, said the people of Bulgaria are also opposed to war. Her country, thanks to Russian aid, had for the first time in history seen political power pass from the oppressors and exploiters to the overwhelming majority of the people, she added.

Earlier, Miss Kitty Hookham, British secretary of the World Federation of Democratic Youth, told the Congress that world youth is being sacrificed to the mounting fury of war propaganda. Hookham, red-haired student of the London School of Economics, aged 25, stated: "It has been said that youth is a nation's greatest hope but in more than half the world today youth is being thrown on the scrap heap."

Mr. Donald Henderson, President of the American Tobacco Workers Union, declared: "Believe me, we will not easily be driven to war against the Soviet Union, the workers' republic, or lay down our lives for Wall Street, Washington and the dollar."

M. Gabriel Darbousier, a councillor of the French Union and Vice-President of the African Democratic Rally, described the native peoples of Africa as being solidly behind the world peace movement.

### "Joan Of Arc"

The first speaker at the afternoon session was Madame Frimcoe Leclerc, President of the Union of French Women, who said that anyone in the United States who expects the French people to join them in a trial of strength against the Soviet Union will be disappointed. "In the words of Joan of Arc, you can blind me but you cannot bind the future of France," she declared.

The delegates cheered as Madame L. Kosmodemianskaia, mother of Zola, a front-line girl fighter sometimes known as the Russian "Joan of Arc," described how, in 1941, her daughter led a group of partisans across the German lines, how she was captured, tortured, stripped and exposed to the cold, and then hanged.

"Now our country is devoted to constructive work to heal the wounds of war. Our country wants a solid and just peace throughout the whole world," she said.

"But the oppressors are preparing to hurl all their power against the Soviet Union."

### Davis Incident

A party of children from a Paris suburb presented a bouquet to Madame Kosmodemianskaia. One of them, a boy aged six, said over the microphone: "We thank you for fighting against the terrible scourge of war."

Just as the afternoon session was closing, Mr. Garry Davis, American self-styled "World Citizen No. 1," tried to gate-crash the Congress and address the delegates. Officials at the Hall said he could not enter as he is not a delegate. In the message he wished to give the Congress, Mr. Davis said he had asked to be heard by all Soviet, Polish, Bulgarian and other men who live on the other side of "what is called the Iron Curtain."

He added: "I ask no more than to be heard by them, so that they shall know that in the West there are Citizens of the World."

## INFORMAL TALKS AT LAKE SUCCESS ON THE BLOCKADE

Paris, April 23.

The French Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, yesterday confirmed that there have been informal conversations at Lake Success between Russia and the Western allies for a possible end to the Berlin blockade.

Speaking to a news conference following yesterday's Cabinet meeting, M. Schuman said, however, that the Russians have not made any definite proposals for a solution to the Berlin crisis.

"If they submitted precise proposals, these would be official and we are not yet at that stage," said M. Schuman.

The Foreign Minister, who returned from Washington and Lake Success last Monday, added there were contacts at New York between Russian and American, British and French diplomats.

"There are corridors too, at Lake Success, where naturally they encounter one another," he commented in a jocular fashion. M. Schuman even indicated that a four-power conference on Germany might be held in the very near future.

Speaking of such an eventuality, M. Schuman said this would not delay the Western powers' schedule for a Western German state.

But, he added, if it happened soon enough the four nations might agree on Germany's future before such a state is established.

### Prerequisite

"The future of Western Germany is not yet decided—you know where we are on that—and the Western state will need still more time for its accomplishment. If the parleys are held rapidly and succeed, the nations can reconcile the two systems," said M. Schuman.

Asked about reports of various Russian advances which have appeared in newspapers, M. Schuman smiled and replied: "Some have been errors, others have been exact."

The Foreign Minister said the Western powers have never objected to conferring now with the Russians over what might be done in Berlin after the blockade is lifted, but that they still insist that the lifting of the blockade is the prime prerequisite to any formal four-power negotiations on the future of Germany.—Associated Press.

## Robeson Promises To Be Good

Stockholm, April 23.

Paul Robeson has promised not to make any more political speeches while appearing at concerts in Sweden.

Elmer Denwill, Director of the concert company, said Robeson had promised him to sing and not talk and irritate his listeners at his second concert next Monday.

On Thursday night Robeson sang a Russian anthem in Stockholm's Concert Hall, causing a tumult which drowned out his voice.

The negro artist also delivered a short speech in which he said he wanted universal peace, but above all, peace with the Soviet Union.

His speech was greeted with loud whistles (the European equivalent of the boo) and many left the hall. Robeson's statement on Wednesday at the Communist-sponsored Paris World Peace Congress that American negroes would never fight the Soviet Union has been disputed by a negro leader in New York.—Associated Press.

## Italians Killed In Asmara

Tel Aviv, April 21.

Unconfirmed reports reaching here today from Asmara, capital of Italy's former Red Sea colony of Eritrea, said a number of Italians have been killed and wounded in racial riots there.

The African population is demanding the evacuation of all Europeans and a union with Ethiopia, the reports said. They added that a curfew has been imposed on all Europeans except the military.

Reuter's correspondent at Asmara reported on April 21 that British troops were patrolling the town after an Italian had been shot by Eritreans. A curfew was expected.

Earlier, the British administration in Eritrea had outlawed the youth section of the "Eritrean Ethiopia Party" on the ground that it had carried on subversive activity likely to endanger public security.—Reuter.

## Teeth Loose

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## DESTROYERS IN COLLISION

Honolulu, April 22.

The United States destroyer, Leonard Mason, today rammed her sister destroyer during manoeuvres off Oahu. Only one sailor was slightly injured.

The Mason ran into the USS Fechteler, causing a 10-foot gap in the Fechteler's port side aft. One forward compartment of the Mason was flooded but both vessels proceeded 50 miles to Pearl Harbor under their own power for repairs.—United Press.

## Greek Communist Predicts Victory

Prague, April 22.

Miltiades Porphyrogenis, Minister of Justice in the Greek Communist government, today predicted decisive victories for the rebels this year and withdrawal of American military observers from Greece.

He told the United Press that General Markos was relieved as guerrilla leader because he suffered a near nervous breakdown during the fighting at Grammos Mountains last autumn. He said that Markos would recover well enough to take over the command again.

Porphyrogenis was stranded here when the French Government refused to grant him a visa to attend the "peace conference" in Paris. He served as "Free Greece's" delegate to the rump conference here but said he is returning to the rebel territory later today because there is much work to be done.

He reiterated the Greek rebel charges that George Polk was murdered by the Athens Government and described yesterday's sentencing of Gregory Staktopoulos for the crime as part of a "deal" concerning the rebel military situation.

He said: "Our troops may not be in Athens but we shall win decisive victories this year. We have a chance and it is now up to us to take advantage of it. It will be a hard struggle, there are no illusions about that. But we will win."

He refused to divulge the number of guerrilla troops in action, saying it is a military secret. But he claimed that the ranks are steadily reinforced by deserters from the Government side.

Asked if he thinks that American aid will be withdrawn after the "decisive victories" of the rebels, Porphyrogenis said: "Certainly." He claimed that the people of Greece support the rebel forces rather than the Government.—United Press.

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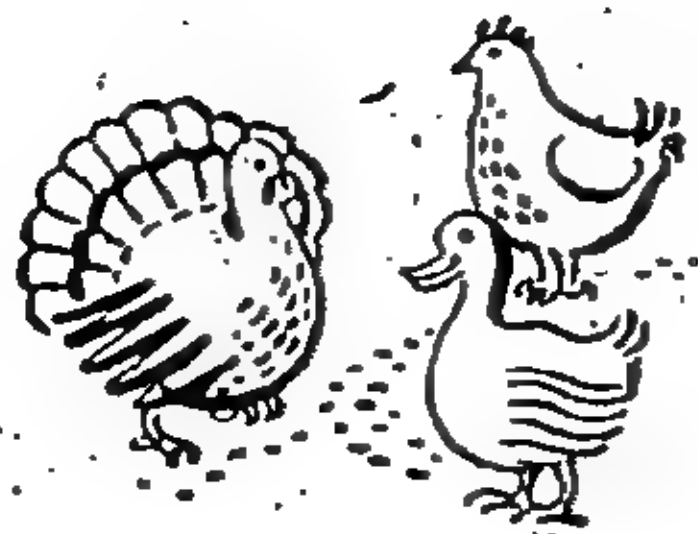
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If you're a "don't go near the water" beach enthusiast, you'll like this Addie Master's pinafore of Balya in palest pastel. Heart-shaped neckline is outlined with eyelet-embroidery ruffles, beading and black velvet. Sleeves and hemline are ruffa-trimmed. And there's a soft sash.

### Fashion Show To Be Held In London Soon

At a meeting at Britain's Board of Trade, the reputation of the London Fashion Fortnight first held in July 1948 was discussed with representatives of the principal organisations in the fashion industry.

The meeting was unanimously in favour of a similar effort by the whole United Kingdom fashion industry in 1949. As the main consideration is to interest overseas buyers it was decided to time this effort with due regard for the established dates of their buying visits. This involves separate consideration of the buyers interested in the wholesale side (who are accustomed to inspect the collections between the middle of May and the middle of June) and those concerned with the retail couture (who visit London in the last week of July).

There will therefore be a London Fashion Fortnight in the second half of May for the wholesale manufacturers and the usual July Openings of the haute couture, led by the members of the Incorporated Society of London Fashion Designers. The separation into two sections is based entirely on the consideration of the buyers' convenience. Development of the details of the Fortnight is being undertaken by a Committee under Board of Trade chairmanship upon which not only representatives of the principal groups in the wholesale trade will serve but of which the Secretary of the Incorporated Society of London Fashion Designers will also be a member, so that each group will benefit from the other's experience and know how their plans are developing.

Some years ago there was a sudden rage for tinted furs—tinted, that is to say, in colours other than those created by nature. The rage disappeared almost as suddenly as it came and furs were compromised with nature by breeding pink and foxes to provide furs in colours which the human eye had never seen before. Names were invented for these furs guaranteed to intrigue women into willingly spending hundreds, and even thousands, of pounds in order to own coats of them.

But there is a limit and the average woman does not think in hundreds of pounds, let alone thousands, when she buys a fur coat, so a group of furriers in Britain has decided to fall back on the old method of introducing "colour interest."

## Summer Palette

By CLAUDIA

Gay summer clothes, bright with stronger sunshine—these are just around the corner and, with our clothes and the weather we must also adopt our beauty palette and work out a new colour scheme for beauty in summer weather.

Skins, on the whole, are going to become darker; and make-up, alas, much more difficult to keep on. Bright colours, too, will draw the richness from our natural (or artificial) tints. So summer beauty kit must be overhauled and made ready.

Those of us who know the Hong Kong summer have learned to treat the sun with great respect. To the newcomer, it is unbelievably strong and fierce and can frazzle a fair skin in a trice. It is as well to make up your mind early on the subject of tanning, and thus avoid a great deal of trouble and discomfort later on.

In summer weather, it is wise to use as little make-up as possible, except lipstick of course. But that little must be exactly right in tone, colour and quality. Your summer colour scheme will depend largely on the degree of sunburn you achieve. But unless you are one of the few with delicate, milkmaid complexions, who decide to keep right out of the sun, your skin is certain to deepen in tone as the summer advances, and that will be for about five months.

The basic principle of summer make-up is that foundation and powder must be darker and warmer, while lipstick and rouge must be correspondingly brighter and richer. Most of the summer complaints about make-up can be boiled down to the simple fact that unsuitable winter shades are still being used with the no longer blend with the skin tones.

I am not proposing that you rush away immediately and buy a lot of sunburn make-up, only that you watch carefully as the sun gets to work on your skin and keep your colours in step.

#### Colour Hints

Leaving out the very fair, pink-skinned types who will strive to maintain the status quo, here are some colour hints for the early summer days:  
Fair hair, light eyes, creamy skin. Change your foundation to a warmer amber tone, a little more rosy than your winter shade. Use two shades of powder, your usual creamy gold as an under-tone, dusted over with a rosy shimmering light suntan. Lipstick and rouge in clear red with no hint of yellow.

Medium hair, light eyes, fair to medium skin. Foundation light to medium peach, powder warm peach rose, dusted with light rose tan. Lipstick and rouge in rich coral-red.  
Medium hair and eyes, skin medium to muddy. You have the colouring which tans quickly and easily. Lucky you, for these climates! you will soon need a deeper peach foundation and rose peach powder, topped by a dusting of light suntan. Your lipstick should be a bright, rich red, clear, but not too light.

Dark hair and eyes, dark to yellow skin. Your problem will be not to get too brown, so you will need warm tints without any trace of yellow or ochre. Foundation peach tan, with suntan powder topped with rose tan. There are many suntan shades in the various makes, but you will choose the rosiest tones, not the golden ones. Your lipstick will be deep carmine.

Everyone has their own particular skin reaction to the sun. Some turn a brick red, some lobster in the early stages while some go a deep, deep brown. Very few assume the delightful golden tan shade with ease. But correct make-up can help tremendously in warming up the too-brown and toning down the too-red.

#### RECIPE

##### Medley Cocktail

2 medium-sized grapefruit, 1 cup orange juice, 1 cup pineapple cut into dice, 1 cup strawberries, sugar.  
Cut the grapefruit in halves and carefully remove the pulp without breaking the skin. Cut into dice and mix with the orange juice, pineapple and sugar to taste. Chill. Wash the strawberries, cut in halves and, just before serving, fold through the fruit mixture. Pile back into grapefruit shells, garnish with strawberries.



### Glamorous Raincoats From Paris

By Marie De Segur

The once prosaic raincoat has made way for a much smarter garment in the wardrobe of the well-dressed woman.

Another smart raincoat, shown by Andre Ledoux, was of bright red gabardine, with black velvet revers and pockets. It was cut on redingote lines.

Equin features proofed black lacquered satin for a coat, gathered at the shoulder seams and below the waist, which is held by a narrow belt.

The attached hood is gathered and will fit comfortably over a small cloche hat.

#### Still Chic

Buryers shows a two-piece tailleur of proofed beige gabardine with a straight cut, skirt, with pleat at back, and a belted jacket. Both are buttoned from the high neck to the knee-length hem with pale tortoiseshell buttons.

Another rainy weather idea is an ensemble of golden beige proofed gabardine.

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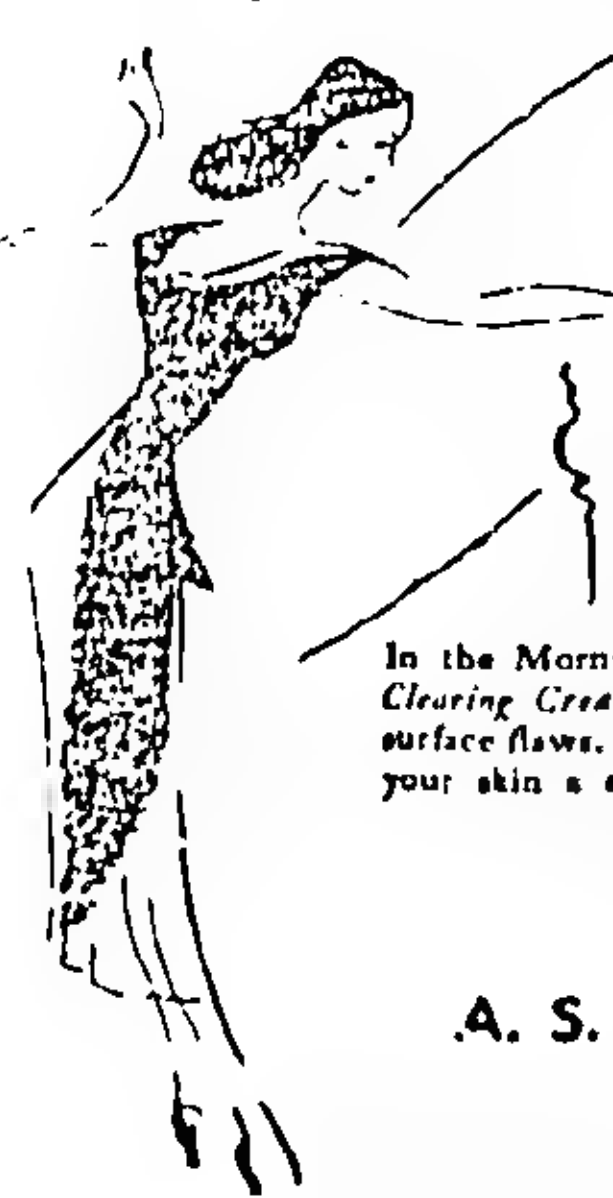
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# ONE SKIRT, THREE BLOUSES

By JANET MARTIN

## Hat Parade



Drawings by FRANCIS MARSHALL

Top left is a perfect suit hat designed by Erik. It is grey felt and who cares if it rains. The middle lady is wearing a "straw" hat made from horse-hair. Incredibly light on the head, and slightly transparent. The veiling is dotted with sequins, and the whole thing is neat enough for a suit, while being pretty enough to wear with a summer dress. It was sketched at Edelle. On the right, a striking outline against the sky, is an Italian honey-coloured straw by Erik. The broken line of the "rim" is especially becoming to the less youthful face.

## Ann Temple Bible Reading

I grew up without ever seeing a Bible. I have children now, and I have bought myself a copy. I want to read it as literature, but its length makes it a forbidding-looking task.

Can you suggest a method? — L. F. B.

I can understand your dismay. The Bible is the worst printed of books—print too small, layout without plan, poetry written as prose, song as essay; drama, history, short stories, philosophy, collections of proverbs and sayings all thrown together without any regard for form.

But if you can get hold of a copy of "The Bible designed to be read as literature," published 1937 by Heinemann, you will have no difficulty.

It has a beautifully written, sensitive preface by Laurence Binyon. I feel I must quote this passage from it to urge you on. "It is certain that to forget the opportunity accessible to all of frequenting this surpassing literature with its grandeur and abundance, a world of mind and spirit and passionate drama, far transcending the horizons of the little private world we each of us inhabit:—it is as if one should resolve of set choice to be poor and to dwell in a mean street."

You are dead right in your reply to "Wondering." My son, aged 14 years, had a lie given him by a girl friend at Christmas. Result: Trouser in a press every night—sponging and pressing too. Now "Wondering" has hurried after—H. E.

But another reader hastens to tell me that the one gift a woman should never give a man is a lie—that a woman's taste in men's ties is execrable. The right answer of course—for the wrong reason. A man loves to choose his own ties. Any one else's taste but his own would be execrable.

But the youth who started this "one had no interest in anything sartorial. The tie was to start him off."



At Your Fingertips  
by VICTOR NAMAK

"Dear Mr. Namak, Since I had measles, I have had to stop using soap altogether. Now that my skin is clear again, do you think it would be wise to start using soap, or must I continue using water only for some time?"

I find that my skin gets awfully oily during the hot weather. What can I do about it? My face is rather delicate and cannot stand rough treatment.

Also please could you recommend a lipstick that is creamy yet not too mossy. I am fair, have dark hair and light brown eyes. What shade of lipstick should I use? I usually wear red, pink and blue, light brown and maroon. But my favourite colours are red and pink."

ROSE. You can certainly start using soap, but one that is extremely mild. In case you do not know, the most important precaution that one should take after an attack of measles is not to expose any part of the skin to the direct rays of the sun.

Since your skin is oily, you must avoid fatty substances in your diet. An oily skin requires thorough cleansing followed by the use of a skin freshener or an astringent. You need lots of fresh air and some sort of exercise which will make you sweat. Drink plenty of fresh water. A facial skin must not be subjected to any rough treatment, whether delicate or not. A cake make-up is the best bet for an oily type of skin.

I cannot name the brand of the lipstick in these columns, but if you write to me your full address, I shall be glad to send you the names of the various shades of lipstick that would suit your wardrobe. I shall then also be able to tell you the brand of the lipstick that you are looking for.

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All the favourite skirts are coming in again for summer, smartened up in new materials. There is the dirndl, the button-through and the wrap-around. But to be really chic, the blouse-and-skirt ensemble this season must be something a little more subtle.

Blouse and skirt must be part of a plan, not a haphazard partnership. Let us follow the fortunes of a smart new skirt and the three blouses it takes out at different times of the day.

The skirt is a rather chic affair, with a smart simplicity of line, cut in three pieces only. The front hangs quite straight in one panel. The back is in two panels, straight down the side seams and flared generously to the centre seam at the back, to give a graceful swine. The material is one of those cool rayon poplins finely striped in black and white.

For mornings, it chooses a costume blouse from the spring wardrobe, in a nylon or muslin, embellished with fine tuckings and dainty embroideries, but cut on tailored shirtwaist lines with neat collar closed to the throat. A wide plastic belt completes an effect that is deliciously Edwardian.

In the afternoon, the skirt smiles forth accompanied by a jumper blouse of its own material which tucks in at the wrist and is secured neatly to the waistband by cunningly concealed buttons from the inside—no chance of bulging or popping out altogether.

### Deep Neckline

This afternoon blouse has wide, cap sleeves and the new deep V neckline. The front is cut on the straight, to match the skirt, while the back is bias cut with centre seam, also matching the skirt. A wide, shawl belt, tied into a large bow at the side front, gives the illusion of a fringed skirt, and the accessories, of course, are white.

In the evening, the skirt goes really gay, with a blouse of bright capucine red, with matching shoes and bag. The blouse has a wide, off top, which stands up, boat shaped, but not quite off-shoulder. It has a waisted sash, attached across the front and fitting over the waistband of the skirt, tying at the back into a bustle bow with cascade drapes. The afternoon sash can, of course, be worn inside.

Blouse and skirt effects bring the vague for buttons to their best and fullest use. Another smart skirt, for which you can think out a host of ideas for blouses and tops, is the slim, pencil line, which buttons right down the back, from waist to about six inches from the hem, leaving a small slit.

This style is best in a plain material, fine linen, or pique perhaps. For mornings, you could choose a simple blouse of the same material, buttoning down the back too, with matching buttons. For the beach, a bright, contrasting sun-top, buttoned on the shoulders and round the waist, one which will also button or to matching shorts. Or you could wear a pretty afternoon blouse in swaggy spot muslin, with a wide, wedge-shaped neckline and little puff sleeves, trimmed in ric-rac braid of the same colour as the spots.

Another skirt which is becoming very popular is slim fitting to just above the knees, then breaking into all-round pleats. This is a useful style for cottons...the pleats are below "crease level". Can you devise its three blouses?

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by EDNA McKENNA

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Before painting, do any mending jobs that may be necessary. Tighten screws and if odd bits have been broken off one side of an object trim off matching bits on the other side.

Decide whether you want a flat paint or enamel. Flat paint dries quickly, but has to be renewed fairly often as it does not stand up so well to washing. Enamel takes longer to dry, though there are one or two quick-drying enamels coming on the market.

Use a good paint or varnish remover. It is worth while spending a little time in removing the old paint if you want to get good results. If you cannot remove the stain don't despair.

I saw a hideous dark table that was given two coats of light grey quick-drying cellulose and it was completely successful. Use plenty of sandpaper to obtain a smooth finish, and don't



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## New York Stock Exchange

New York, April 23. Buying power came into the stock market yesterday in sufficient volume to check the decline started on Thursday. But a recovery movement did not gain much support. Of 978 issues traded, 309 declined, 206 advanced. Volume was limited to 800,000 shares.

Large dealings in Richfield and Sinclair Oil stocks highlighted a selective demand late in the day. Richfield, the most heavily traded issue, closed up 1/4 at 35 1/2. Sinclair was up 1/4 at 23 1/4. Down 1/4 were Curtiss Wright at 9 1/4 and Republic at 10 1/4. Grunby Consolidated Mining gained one at 9 1/4, a high for the year.

How Jones Averaged:  
Stocks 62.00; 20 Industrials 72.42.  
In Ralls (118); 10 Utilities 11.00.  
Closing quotations:  
Alcoa 18 1/2.  
Aluminum 18 1/2.  
American Can 22.  
American Smelting 45 1/2.  
American Telephone 144 1/2.  
American Waterworks 7 1/2.  
Aviation Corp. 4 1/2.  
Bakewell Locomotive 10 1/2.  
Barnhill 44 1/2.  
Benda Aviation 22 1/2.  
Bethlehem Steel 22 1/2.  
Boeing Aircraft 22.  
Borden Co. 40.  
Canadian Pacific 15 1/2.  
C.I. Case 22 1/2.  
Chrysler 10 1/2.  
Columbia 11 1/2.  
Commercial Solvents 14 1/2.  
Coca-Cola 22 1/2.  
DuPont 18.  
Eastman Kodak 44 1/2.  
Electric Light and Power 23 1/2.  
General Electric 27 1/2.  
General Motors 57 1/2.  
Goodrich 60 1/2.  
Gould 41.  
Hormel Meat 41 1/2.  
International Harvester 21 1/2.  
International Paper 14 1/2.  
International Tel. & Tel. 9 1/2.  
Johns-Manville 24 1/2.  
Kennecott Copper 43 1/2.  
Lockport 15 1/2.  
National Distillers 11 1/2.  
New York Central 23 1/2.  
Packard Motor 35 1/2.  
Pan American Airways 21 1/2.  
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Standard Oil of N.J. 67 1/2.  
Studebaker 18 1/2.  
Union Bag 25.  
Union Carbide 34 1/2.  
U.S. Rubber 38 1/2.  
U.S. Steel 70 1/2.  
U.S. Lines 11 1/2.  
Westinghouse 22 1/2.  
Youngstown Sheet & Tube 43 1/2.  
Gen. Pub. Utilities 13 1/2.—Associated Press.

## NY COTTON

New York, April 23. Cotton futures were easy in moderately active trading, closing 75 lower to 25 higher. Six for this season. Government loans covered 5,074,000 bales with the net stock in Government hands at 4,370,000.  
May 33.03-04; July 32.24-25; October 28.01; December 28.00-01; March 28.50 nominal; Mid-May spot 33.08 nominal.—Associated Press.

# Dollar Reserves In Pl Lower

Manila, April 23. An abnormally heavy run on dollar exchange by foreign and domestic banks caused a US\$35,000,000 drop in Philippine monetary reserves in the first quarter of this year. The Central Bank of the Philippines reports that its dollar reserves have fallen from US\$371,000,000 on March 1, 1949, to US\$336,000,000 on March 31, 1949.

Governor Miguel Cuadernos, however, declared: "The storm has been weathered." The Bank said there was no evidence of a flight of capital from the Philippines. It credited abnormally large demands for dollar exchange to three factors. These are:  
1—Delayed impact of the West Coast shipping strike last Autumn.  
2—Importers whose merchandise fell under the import controls on January 1, 1949 placed orders in advance in order to have large stocks on hand when the controls went into effect. The shipping strike delayed receipt of the merchandise and this in turn delayed the effect on dollar reserves of the ban on purchases of dollars until January and February.

## Bank By-Passed

3—The banks delayed purchases of dollars until after the opening of the Central Bank of the Philippines on January 1, 1949 to take advantage of rates closer to par than those charged by the Treasury prior to January.

The Central Bank buys dollars at 200.75 Pesos per US\$100.

London, April 22. Despite the South African Finance Minister, Mr. Nicolaas Havenga's campaign for a higher gold price, it is felt here that the price will not in the foreseeable future climb above the present official price.

The City Editor of "The Times" wrote today "The fact remains that, though Mr. Havenga has many allies in his battle, the battle is not at the moment any nearer to being won."

The United States' refusal to raise the price is defended from the American point of view in several quarters, where the American contention that such action would give a fresh boost to internal inflation is considered indisputably true. Considerable interest is attached here to the forthcoming visit to South Africa of M. Camille Gutt, Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund. In some of the best known bullion circles it is hoped and believed that Mr. Havenga and M. Gutt will arrive at a satisfactory compromise on South Africa's premium price on international gold sales.

## Import Controls

Opinions are mixed on the question of South Africa's imports, and the possible necessity of suspending minimum reserve requirements, which Mr. Havenga discussed yesterday. Some quarters believe he is rather too pessimistic. When the full impact of import controls is felt, it is quite on the cards for South Africa's Sterling reserves, at any rate, to show a very marked reversal of their present tendency.

## LOAN SHELVED

Manila, April 23. Philippine foreign affairs officials today said the proposal for a US\$500,000 loan to Indonesia in the form of surplus goods and medical supplies has been shelved temporarily while the Indonesian delegation here receives the proper credentials.

Indonesian representatives asked for the loan, but the Cabinet has not acted on it pending further study by the Foreign Affairs department and the Central Bank.—United Press.

## Not Flight

The Central Bank concluded that the decrease in its monetary reserves during the first three months of the year was due to "temporary and unusual circumstances" and not to a flight of capital or speculative purchases of dollars.

It pointed out that the Central Bank's international reserve at the end of March amounted to 116 per cent of money issued.

It said that the ratio of reserve to total demand liabilities of the Central Bank was 83 per cent and concluded: "Perhaps no other central bank in the world has ratios so high."—Associated Press.

# Haifa Oil Refineries To Re-Open?

Haifa, April 22. The British-owned Haifa Oil Refineries, returned to British management last March 17, are preparing to open again but are meeting difficulties over the general oil policy. However, the refineries may re-open next month.

The refineries, owned by the Consolidated Refineries, London, a subsidiary of the Anglo-Iranian and Shell concerns, closed when the British Army evacuated Palestine last May 14. They started operating again on July 22 on orders from the Provisional Government of Israel, working up to 30 per cent of capacity.

## Controversy Over Birth Control

London, April 22. Widespread controversy on birth control is expected to spring from the report of a Royal Commission due to be published in the next few weeks.

Strong Church protests are likely over the Commission's views about making export birth control information more readily available to the public.

# Currency Ban In Soviet Zone

Berlin, April 21. All movement of East marks into or out of Germany's Eastern Zone is forbidden under an order issued today by the Deutsche Notenbank, the zonal note issue bank. Exceptions will be made for the Zone's residents, who may take along up to 50 East marks when leaving the Zone on condition that they bring them back.

## CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, April 23. Grains dropped. Wheat closed 3/4-1/2 lower. May 22.25-26. July 1.98-1.97. December 1.98. Corn was 1/4-1/2 lower. May 1.34-1.35. Oats were 1/2 lower to 1/4 higher. May 60 1/2. Soybeans were one to 1 1/4 lower. May 22.25-26.—Associated Press.

## STEEL SHORTAGE NOW OVER

New York, April 22. The steel shortage is definitely over, the metal-working weekly "Iron Age" reported yesterday. The outlook in steel, said the magazine, forebodes a return to still competition and a brisk search for new business. The "Iron Age" steel scrap composite this week was off 83 cents a gross ton to US\$22.75.—Associated Press.

## NEW TRADE PACT

New Delhi, April 23. India and Poland signed a trade agreement yesterday providing for 30,000,000 Rupees trade within a year.—Associated Press.

# RATE FOR THE YEN FIXED

Washington, April 23. An official exchange rate of 300 Japanese yen to one U.S. dollar was ordered last night by General Douglas MacArthur. His directive to the Japanese government makes the rate effective on April 25.

An announcement here by the National Military Establishment said the exchange rate will apply to all permitted foreign trade and exchange transactions, including those for which the military conversion rate is now applicable.

Rates for other currencies will be based upon the official United States dollar values of such currencies as registered with the International Monetary Fund translated into the yen-dollar ratio.—Associated Press.

## Franco-India Customs Pact

Paris, April 22. M. Paul Coste Floret, Minister for Overseas Territories, told the Council of Ministers today that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs hopes shortly to conclude a customs agreement with the Government of India for the French settlement in India.

He also stated that the ex-Emperor of Annam, Bao Dai, will leave France, where he is now staying, for Indochina to be head of the new State of Vietnam as soon as the Cochinchina Assembly has voted favorably for Cochinchina's participation in the new State.

Bao Dai has made this an essential condition for his return to Indochina. The Assembly's vote is likely to be given tomorrow.—Reuter.

## TEXTILE MARKET

New York, April 23. Scattered lots of cotton prints were sold for quick delivery yesterday, but otherwise the cotton textile market was quiet. There were reports of an export inquiry for 1,000,000 yards of Osnaburghs from a South Africa bug manufacturer.

Woolens were quiet as retailers moved slowly in placing Autumn orders. Some interest developed in the rayon market. Two major rayon producers cut prices sharply on lingerie cloth. Some cuts ranged up to 17 cents.—Associated Press.

## LIVING COSTS

Washington, April 23. The government reported yesterday that American living costs increased slightly in March, ending a five month decline.

The Labour Department's consumer price index in mid-March was 169.5 per cent of the 1935-39 pre-war averages. That is 1.5 per cent above March last year and 72 per cent above August 1939.

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## Visitors From PI Armed With Cameras

Within these few days, our virtues and vices will be faithfully recorded on celluloid by a contingent of students and their families, who arrived here yesterday by the ss. President Wilson from the Philippines.

Armed to the teeth with all varieties of cameras, ranging from Baby Kodaks to Leica Cines, more than 150 Filipinos disembarked to spend their summer holiday in the Colony.

The barrage began as soon as the American President Line's trans-Pacific liner passed Lyemum, when the holiday makers took strategic positions all over the deck to "shoot" the environs.

Victoria Town received the heaviest artillery. Relatives and friends waiting at Kowloon Wharf to welcome their kin were common targets for the lenses.

The weather was ideal for outdoor photography. The summer multi-coloured attire of both passengers and friends created a kaleidoscopic picture at the wharf. To the "invaders" it was a successful day yesterday.

Students from colleges and schools in the Philippines, most of the articles are seeing Hong Kong for the first time.

It is not known whether there will be any organised functions to entertain the visitors. Many, however, are sight-seeing on their own with the aid of local friends.

The APL liner brought 42 passengers, of whom 209 died, embarked here.

Among them were Mr. Hans Vogt, first Vice-President of the Swiss Federation of Travel Agents, and Mrs. George Lenz, of the American Consulate, Hong Kong, returning from leave. Mr. East, former manager of ICA, Commercial Agents, Manila, on a round-the-world cruise with his wife, Mrs. Marion Pierce, with the Commander Charles Pierce, Director of Coast and Geodetic Survey, Philippines, and Mr. M. C. Duck, of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, Singapore, returning to Singapore after a holiday in the United States.

A honeymoon couple who landed here Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Reys.

Transit passengers who are making the trans-Pacific cruise by the President Wilson include Mrs. Josephine King and Miss J. King, who is a service representative of the Public Relations Department for the Pacific Tel. and Tel. Company, Headquarters, Los Angeles. Mrs. Hugh Mackenzie, Mrs. Denis Morley, Mrs. Sara Vindling, Treasurer of the Pacific Title and Art Studio, Hollywood, Mr. and Mrs. F.N. Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Lee T. Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard A. Wiggins.

The APL liner leaves for Shanghai today.

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE GAME

London, April 23. Third Lanark beat St. Mirren by three goals to one in a Scottish League Division "A" game today. —Reuter.

## Getting Up Nights Makes Men Old

Getting up nights, burning sensation of organs, which discharge, dull ache at base of spine, groin and leg pains, nervousness, weakness and loss of manly vigour are caused by a disease of the prostate gland (its most important gland in men). To overcome these troubles in 48 hours and to restore your vigour and health, take the new scientific discovery called Regene. No matter how long you have suffered (Regene is guaranteed to set you right, rejuvenate your prostate gland and make you feel 10 to 20 years younger or money back. Get Regene from your chemist. The guarantee protects you.

## Referees' Meeting

The fortnightly meeting of the Hong Kong Football Referees' Association will be held at the offices of the Hong Kong Football Association, Prince's Building, at 7.30 p.m. tomorrow.

Agenda: (1) Minutes of last meeting; (2) Correspondence; (3) Laws of the Game; and (4) Any other business.

## Next Week's Tennis Games

In connection with the Tennis Handicaps of the Kowloon Cricket Club the following matches have been arranged for next week:

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

Capt. Turner, Cooks and D. Chen v R.G. Galloway and D.G. White; J. Tattersall and R. Griffiths v C.J. Smith and F. Grose; Mrs. M. Hewitt and Mrs. Doris v Mrs. M. Figueroa and Mrs. E. Benjamin; Mrs. E. Lo Linton v Mrs. G.S. Groulx.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

R.S. Capell and W.A. Nicholas v R.O. Baker and W. Golding; T. Baker v Wimmer H. Gabriel and C.H. Packard; J. Guest v Wimmer W.A. Palmer and J. Tattersall; Mrs. Lambert Baker v Mrs. H.C. Leblanc.

Competitors will place note that all games must be played off on advertised dates, the only reason a postponement will be allowed will be if the grounds are closed. Any player not turning up will be scratched.

Players are reminded that all games advertised for play last week and which have not been played off must be concluded by Monday night.

## BASKETBALL GAME RESULTS

The following are the results of last night's games in the Hong Kong Basketball League:

"A" DIVISION

Santow Overseas 37 King Man 31

"B" DIVISION

Pat Fat 39 Yau Oi 29

Heung Tao School received a walk-over from Kowloon Chinese YMCA.

## DINNER FOR SCHOOL BOYS

The schoolboys who formed the nucleus of the Combined Hong Kong Christian Brothers' Schools soccer team which recently concluded a successful tour of the Philippines, were guests of honor at dinner given at St. Joseph's College last night by The Reverend Brother John and Staff of the College.

In a quarrel between two tokens of a paper-box shop at No. 7 Circular Path at about 6 p.m. yesterday afternoon, one of them was stabbed with a knife in the ribs and had to be taken to hospital.

His alleged assailant was detained by the police who arrived on the scene upon hearing the cry.

## An Exciting Moment



An exciting moment during the Charity Basketball match between Combined Hong Kong Chinese and Canton Southern Commercial College at Caroline Hill on Friday night. The match, which ended in a victory for Hong Kong by 48-44, was played in aid of the family of Mr. Lau Chung-shan, well-known basketball referee who died from wounds received when bandits fired on the ss. Kwong Fook Cheung while en-route from Kowloon to Hong Kong last week. ("Sunday Herald" Photo.)

## Competition Keen In RAF Meet

It was a grand day for sports for the Royal Air Force yesterday when the RAF Annual Athletic Meet was held at Kai Tak, attended in force by the airmen and their ladies.

Competition on the field was keen with each event closely fought for.

Signal Squadron and Air Headquarters won the Inter-Section Cup with 367 S.U. runners-up.

Squadron Leader Haines, active in the local field of sports, won the Victor Loderum with A. C. Condy coming up a good second.

At the end of the meet, the prizes were presented by Mrs. A. D. Davies, wife of Air Commodore A. D. Davies, CBE.

Results:

880 Yards: 1st, Bladen; 2nd, Roberts; 3rd, Harford. Time: 2 minutes 19 seconds.

Shot Put: 1st, S/L Haines; 2nd, F/O Carpenter; 3rd, Cpl. Martin.

100 Yards: 1st, AC Condy; 2nd, F/O S/L Condy; 3rd, A. C. Cox. Time: 11 seconds.

Hammer Throw: 1st, F/S McDaniel; 2nd, S/L Haines; 3rd, LAC Wimmer. Distance: 74 feet 8 inches.

Three Miles: 1st, AC Lesson; 2nd, AC Wills; 3rd, Cpl Ward. Time: 17 minutes 8½ seconds.

220 Yards: 1st, F/S Condy; 2nd, AC Edwards; 3rd, AC Condy. Time: 25 seconds.

High Jump: 1st, Sgt. Jordan; 2nd, AC Condy; 3rd, LAC Harlin. Height: 5 feet 2 seconds.

4 x 110 Inter-Section Relay: 1st, 367 S.U.; 2nd, Signal Sqn and HQ. Time: 49½ seconds.

Javelin: 1st, S/L Haines; 2nd, AC Owens; 3rd, AC Harris. Distance: 89 feet.

120 Yards Hurdles: 1st, AC Condy; 2nd, F/S Condy. Time: 17 seconds.

440 Yards: 1st, S/L Haines; 2nd, AC Cox; 3rd, F/S Condy. Time: 67.4 seconds.

Discus Throw: 1st, F/O Ticknor; 2nd, AC Darby; 3rd, S/L Haines. Distance: 83 feet 4 inches.

Long Jump: 1st, Sgt. Jordan; 2nd, AC Edwards. Distance: 18 feet 5½ inches.

5 Mile: AC Wills; 2nd, AC Turner; 3rd, AC Harford. Time: 6 minutes 26 seconds.

Pole Vault: Cpl Crowe; 2nd, AC Condy.

## Suicide Rate In Colony Rising

The feeling that life is so hectic and futile that it is not worth living seems to have struck more people in the Colony during the past seven days than any corresponding period since the liberation.

A survey conducted by the "Sunday Herald" yesterday showed that during the week ending April 21 at least five persons successfully took their own lives while the Social Welfare Department placed the average monthly suicide death-rate roughly at two to 10.

A further analysis showed that all of them except one chose to destroy their lives by jumping from high buildings and high walls. Only one of them killed himself by taking poison.

Only one of the five was a woman.

The suicide wave which hit the Colony last week seems to correspond to the psycho-analysts' saying that suicides are most frequent in Spring and early Summer and least frequent in Winter.

W.M.J. C. MacDonnell, Social Welfare Officer, in an interview, declined to comment on the increased suicide death-rate. He said: "I don't even venture to guess what is the reason for their suicides."

He said that it is almost impossible to trace the reasons for suicides. When persons after attempting to commit suicide are asked why they want to kill themselves, the answers are almost unanimous: "I lost my job and I have a family to support."

—though the reason might have been that they have a quarrel with their family.

A Chinese psycho-analyst who has practiced in Shanghai for more than 10 years, contacted by the "Sunday Herald" yesterday, expressed no surprise at the sudden increase in the suicide death-rate.

He said that the present worsening economic situations in the Colony and the renewal of civil war in China are mainly responsible.

Despite the fact that he himself is a psycho-analyst he said that religious faith is the only potent force in preventing self-destruction.

"Although social attitudes toward suicide have been and still are subject to great variation, the religions of Christianity, Judaism and Mohammedanism have always severely condemned it," he said. He said that medical treatment could only reduce the suicide death-rate to a very limited extent.

## MACAO WIN

Singapore, April 23. The visiting Macao table-tennis team defeated the Chinese Athletic Association here last night by five games to nil.

AC Harris. Height: 9 feet 3 inches.

Ladies' Race: 1st, Mrs. Vickers; 2nd, Mrs. Dobbins; 3rd, Mrs. Simcoe.

Inter-Section Mile Medley: 367 S.U. Time: 4 minutes 21 seconds.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

### NOTICE TO MEMBERS

### Fifth Race Meeting

SATURDAY, 7th MAY, 1949.

There are ten races. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Numbers (10 Races—\$20) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, at the Club's Office, 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon, at the last race, as well as those for the "Lantau Handicap" to be run at the 6th Race Meeting on 21st May 1949. Tickets in the Special Cash Sweep on the last race and those for the "Lantau Handicap" may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

### MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member, to be responsible for all club etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (2nd 2715).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.50 including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tea men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

### SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY who are requested to distribute them with holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

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# SUNDAY HERALD SPORTS SECTION

HONG KONG, SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 1949.

## Army Beat Club At Soccer, 2-1

Strengthened by the inclusion of three Singapore players, Army beat Club by two goals to one in a clean and hard fought First Division soccer game at Happy Valley yesterday.

Army were definitely lucky to win, as they were on the defensive for a greater part of the game and their second goal was more or less a gift, as it was, without doubt, scored from an offside position.

Kowloon Motor Bus beat Eastern Police by five goals to four at Boundary Street in a game which was featured by hectic exchanges.

The game between Eastern and Kowloon Motor Bus at Boundary Street was not played in the proper spirit and ended with two players, one from KMB and the other from Eastern, being sent off the field by the referee, Pte. Collins, for alleged fighting.

### Club 1—Army 2

Club were unfortunate to lose their match against Army as they moved some of the ball than their opponents, only weak finishing by their forwards letting them down.

Cotton, the Club captain, gave another brilliant performance between the sticks and certainly saved his side from a much heavier defeat by blocking off several difficult chances.

The Club defence was somewhat shaky under pressure, only Forrow displaying any initiative in attacking the opposing forwards and setting his own attack on the move with well-directed passes.

Of the Club forwards, Kieran and Mullen were without doubt the most prominent. These two were tireless in their efforts and worked hard for openings.

The Club wingers were somewhat erratic and barely in particular wasted many fine scoring chances by kicking wildly.

### Fine Display

Army's success was in a great measure due to the fine display put up by their backs and half-backs. Snellson, Whitehouse and Butler, the three Singapore Army players were to the fore-front. Their fine positional play and keen anticipation enabled them to nip many dangerous movements by the Club forwards in the nick of time.

West and Ramskill, the two Army wingers, were always a source of danger in possession, but the inside line, although trying hard, did not find it an easy matter to outwit Forrow.

The first half was evenly contested, with both sides attacking in turn.

## RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION			
Club	1	Army	2
Police	4	KM Bus	5
Eastern	1	Kwong Wah	5

SECOND DIVISION			
South China	0	KM Bus	5
Club	0	PCA	4
Army Kin	3	Bollicott	1
Dockyard	2	Tramways	5

\* This game was not played, Eastern conceding a walk-over in favour of Kwong Wah.

### KMB 5—Police 4

In a rough and tumble game Kowloon Motor Bus defeated Police by five goals to four at Boundary Street yesterday. The game was highlighted by high scoring on both sides. The busmen were, without doubt, the better players. Their speedy forwards, assisted by their defenders, constantly harassed the Police defence. The Police attackers found the enemy's defence hard to penetrate.

Throughout the 70-minute game, the busmen played with perfect co-ordination while the police-men had difficulty in controlling the ball.

Tang Yee-kit and Chan On-yin, leaders of the respective attacks, who both scored three times for their teams, were stars of the day.

Tang played a clean-cut game throughout and was considered by the policemen as No. 1 trouble-maker. His accurate shooting and beautiful headers constantly caught the Police defence on the wrong foot.

Lee Tai-fai, KMB's right-winger, was another dangerous player who invariably outpaced the Police backs.

### KMB's Attack

The game started off with KMB taking up the attack. The policemen, playing against the sun, were completely at the mercy of the busmen.

Two minutes after the kick-off Tang drew first blood when he cleverly eluded three Police defenders and placed the leather neatly into the right corner of the net with the custodian well beaten.

Five minutes later Lee Chung-fai, storming into the Police area and by-passing the right back, sent in a powerful drive just beyond the reach of the goalie, to give KMB their second goal.

Before the Police were on their feet again Tang was in action once more. Outpacing Howlett, the speedy leader of the KMB attack scored the third goal for the busmen.

An all-out offensive was then launched by the Police. Assisted by the defenders, the forwards put up a good fight.

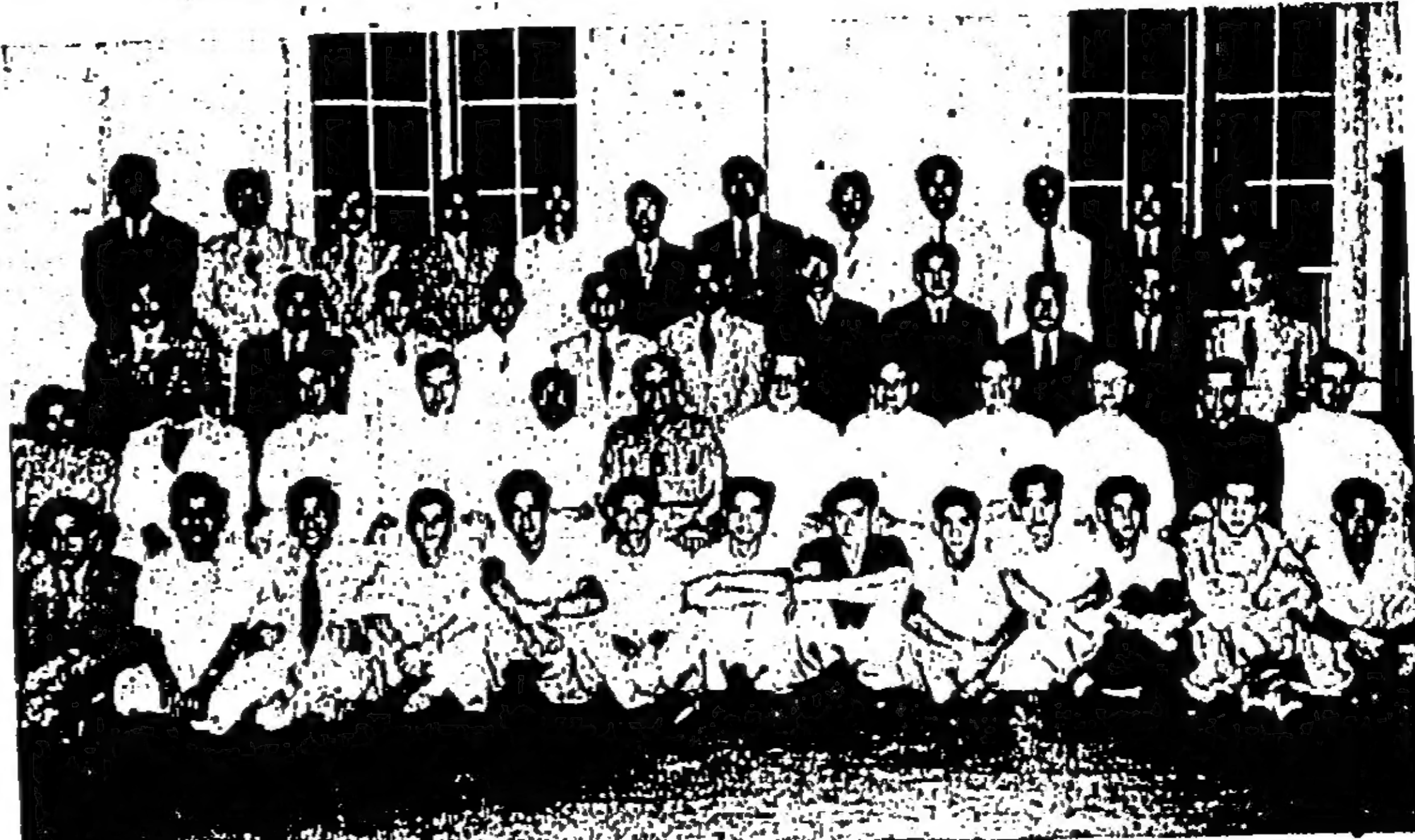
Twenty-five minutes after the kick-off, Chan scored the first

goal for Police by placing the ball neatly into the net.

Encouraged by his goal Chan managed to score again, three minutes later with header.

A full then prevailed until Lee Tai-fai of KMB, rushing to the goal area before any of the defenders, sent in a powerful drive which caught the goalie unawares to bring the tally to four to two before the half time whistle.

## Combined Schools Soccer XI Feted



Group photograph taken at last night's dinner given by The Reverend Brother John and Staff of St. Joseph's College in honour of the Combined Schools Soccer XI which recently returned from the Philippines. ("China Mail" Photo).

## Yankees Only Club Unbeaten So Far

New York, April 23.

The New York Yankees are now the only unbeaten club in the major leagues. Manager Casey Stengel's team made it four in a row yesterday by spoiling Boston's home-town opening, 5-3, in the American League.

In other American League games, the Cleveland Indians opened their home season before 63,725 fans by downing Detroit 4-3.

With rookie Gene Zernial setting the pace with a homer, the Chicago White Sox defeated the St. Louis Browns 5-2.

In the National League, the New York Giants and Boston Braves played to a 0-0 tie, with rain and darkness stopping the game at the end of the ninth inning.

Ralph Kiner's homer in the third with the bases loaded helped Pittsburgh defeat Cincinnati 5-4.

The St. Louis Cardinals won their first game of the season in the home-town behind the four-hit pitching of Al Brazle, drubbing the Chicago Cubs 9-2.

### SCORES:

American League			
New York	5	Boston	3
Cleveland	5	St. Louis	2
Chicago	5	Pittsburgh	5
St. Louis	9	Chicago	2

### National League

Boston	6	St. Louis	2
New York	6	Cincinnati	1
Cincinnati	4	Pittsburgh	5
Pittsburgh	5	St. Louis	9
St. Louis	9	Chicago	2

## SAINTS' LINEUP AGAINST S.C. "A"

The following have been selected to represent St. Joseph's in the First Division soccer match against South China "A" on the Club Ground at Happy Valley at 5 p.m. today:

Leck, Kohn, Ramjahn, Fernandez, (Captain), Castilho, Lawler, Gomes, Pereira, Santos and Omar.

## Home Football Results

London, April 23.

The following were the results of football matches played today:

FIRST DIVISION			
Arsenal	2	Chelsea	2
Villa	1	Stoke	0
Blackpool	1	Middlesbrough	1
Bolton	1	Portsmouth	1
Derby	1	Birmingham	1
Huddersfield	1	Everton	1
Liverpool	1	Newcastle	1
Manchester U	2	Preston	1
Sheffield U	0	Burnley	1
Sunderland	1	Charlton	1
Wolves	1	Manchester C	1

### SECOND DIVISION

Barnley	3	Bury	2
Blackburn	0	Leeds	2
Bradford	1	Sheff. Wed.	1
Cardiff	1	Sheff. Utd.	1
Fulham	3	Wolves	1
Grimby	2	Wrexham	1
Luton	6	Lincoln	1
Notts F	2	Tottenham	1
Plymouth	1	Leicester	1
Queen's P.R.	1	Sheff. W	1
Southampton	1	West Brom.	1

### THIRD DIVISION (Southern)

Aldershot	0	Swansea	2
Brighton	2	Walsley	1
Bristol C	2	Bournemouth	1
Exeter	2	Walsley	1
Leyton	1	Grimsby	1
Millwall	1	Grimsby	1
Northampton	3	Grimsby	1
Norwich	0	Walsley	1
Port Vale	0	Walsley	1
Southend	3	Walsley	1
Swindon	3	Walsley	1

### THIRD DIVISION (Northern)

Carlisle	4	Accrington	1
Chester	0	Hull	1
Crews	0	Doncaster	1
Darlington	1	Mansfield	1
Gateshead	2	Oldham	1
Hartlepool	3	Tranmere	0
New Brighton	2	Wrexham	0
Rochdale	3	Barrow	0
Southport	2	Bradford C	1
Stockport	0	Rotherham	1
York	1	Hull	1

### AMATEUR CUP FINAL

Bromley	1	Wimbledon	0
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### SCOTTISH CUP FINAL

Rangers	4	Clyde	1
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### SCOTTISH LEAGUE—"A"

Dundee	4	Partick	1
Kilmarnock	3	Aberdeen	1
Falkirk	2	Falkirk	1
Motherwell	1	Morton	1
Queen's O'South	1	Heart's	1

### SCOTTISH LEAGUE—"B"

Airdrie	3	Alloa	0
East Duff	1	Hamilton	0
Rathfriland	1	St. Johnstone	0

## Getting Ready For Bowls League

With the commencement of the Lawn Bowls League looming ahead, the different Clubs are getting down to some serious practice in preparation for their forthcoming matches.

At Stanley yesterday, the Prison Officers Club officially opened their Lawn Bowls season when visitors were invited to participate in a friendly game.

The Talkoo Club also officially opened their green yesterday and players from various Clubs were entertained to a friendly game. Hircoc's rink won by the highest margin of shots. The visitors were presented with spoons to commemorate the occasion.

Club de Recreio, Police in a friendly game by 10 shots, while Indian Recreation Club, who were at home in Hong Kong Electric, won by six shots after an exciting game. Four rinks took part in the game; the visitors won on two rinks and tied on one.

### At Prison Officers' Club

Yesterday was a gala day for the Prison Officers Club at Stanley, the occasion being the official opening of the lawn bowls green. Several visitors were invited to participate in a friendly game of bowls.

Before the game started Mr. Jilott, in a short speech welcomed the visitors. He said that the Club had entered a team in the Third Division. There were several beginners in the team.

Mr. Jilott said it did not matter to his Club whether they won or lost—they were playing for the game.

In a three-rink game, W. Higgs scored the biggest win of the day: over Grant's rink by 43-10. Higgs scored an eight, a six and a five in the course of the game.

The best game of the day was that between McCutcheon and Hughes which the former won by 27-15. Some good bowling was seen with all eight players putting in good work. However, McCutcheon was the best player on view.

Time and again with the opponents lying several shots he would either draw the shot or reduce the margin of shots.

On the 11th hand McCutcheon was leading by 14-3. Hereafter Hughes and his men pulled their weight and by the end of the 10th hand were one shot down, the score being 10-15. In the last five hands McCutcheon chalked up 11 shots to win by 12 shots.

Scott, right hand man to McCutcheon, played an inspired game. R.P. Phillips held his own lead for Hughes and held his own against the visitors four and sent down several excellent woods.

Jilott beat Dr. Shaw by six shots, the final score being 20-14. Jilott was deadly with his heavy woods while Dr. Shaw was steady throughout.

In a four game, S. Marikem and A.M. Omar beat S. Russell and Francis Lee by 20-12.

RED R.S. Rosen R.P. Phillips  
J. Caldwell L.S. da Silva  
M. Scott A.M. Ramjahn  
J. McCutcheon R. Hughes  
(Skip) 27 (Skip) 15

DAVIDS T. Carr  
Haynes Jamieson  
Brace W. Higgs  
Grant (Skip) 10 (Skip) 42

PHILLIPS Le. Tischer  
Monument Robertson  
A. Jilott Dr. Shaw  
(Skip) 20 (Skip) 14

S. Marikem S. Russell  
A.M. Omar Francis Lee  
(Skip) 20 (Skip) 18  
Total 87 Total 80

### At Talkoo Club

The Lawn Bowls Season of the Talkoo Club was officially opened when the members and visitors took part in a game of bowls composed of six rinks each.

Mr. F.J. Willey, in a short speech, thanked the visitors for coming and at the end of the game presented spoons to Hircoc's rink for the biggest win of the day. The visitors were also presented with spoons.

The Talkoo Club beat the Combined Visitors and Members by 124 to 89 shots.

Visitors & Members  
Talkoo Club  
J.A. Smith T.R. MacLean  
B. Billmore N. Heaton  
A. Stevens E. McNeil  
W.G. Jackson J.B. Chalmers  
(Skip) 15 (Skip) 27

W. McColl B. Dally  
J.S. Joyce N. Whitby  
J. Baxter C. Craig  
(Skip) 19 (Skip) 18

J.R. Carr F.A.H. Elliott  
E.M. Laren E.S. Price  
A. MacIndoe F.K. Patterson  
(Skip) 18 (Skip) 10

W. Marshall J. Mimmo  
J. McArthur F.B. Gill  
J. Wald G. Davison  
J. McNeill J.G. Meyer  
(Skip) 10 (Skip) 17

Total 62 Total 98

### At KCC

In an Intra-Club lawn bowls game at the Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday, the "Blues" beat the "Reds" 98-62.

The "Blues" won on all four rinks, the highest score being recorded by Roscoe's rink, which beat Goodwin's rink 32-18.

"Blues"  
G. Barker H. Gittins  
W. Baker M. Gimpel  
H.S. Capell S.A. Gray  
George Lee T. Lock  
(Skip) 14 (Skip) 23

E.R. Roscoe J.H. Evans  
W. Palmer Furey  
F.E. Lawrence R. Baker  
J.A. Tibble R. Leigh  
(Skip) 17 (Skip) 19

C. Thompson C.E. Roscoe  
A. Graham W.H. Cowie  
F. Goodwin A.H. Kew  
F. Goodwin C. Roscoe  
(Skip) 18 (Skip) 33

W.J. Keates A.C. Tibble  
L. Brenzy Stapleton  
W. Hong-Sing B. Butterworth  
E.C. Fincher (Skip) 24 (Skip) 24

Total 62 Total 98

B. Baker R. Griffin  
J. Roberts J.H. Kinniburgh  
W. Melrose (Skip) 15 (Skip) 22

J. Rowan C.M. McEneaney  
G. Blown J. Russell  
N. Cunningham A.W. Hircoc  
(Skip) 10 (Skip) 24

Total 89 Total 124

### Recreio—Police

Club de Recreio entertained the Police Recreation Club to a friendly three-rink lawn bowls match at King's Park and won by 10 shots, the final score being 50-40.

Recreio won on two rinks and lost one. F. Channing's rink was the only visiting rink to win and that at the expense of A.M. Souza's rink. Souza last year skippered in the second interport against Hong Kong.

Dr. A.P. Gutierrez skippered his rink to a seven shots win over Downman and his men, the final score being 23-10.

F.X. Silva beat Hillier by 17 shots.

Club de Recreio Police RC  
A.V. Gosano D.H. Taylor  
O.P. Remedios A. Soutar  
F.V.V. Ribeiro J. Forrest  
Dr. A.P. Gutierrez C. Downman  
(Skip) 23 (Skip) 10

A.A. Lopes J. Hayward  
N.A. Beltra A. Brown  
A.P. Pereira W. Cameron  
A.M. Souza F. Channing  
(Skip) 7 (Skip) 27

G.A. Gutierrez P. Kington  
E.M. Alarcon C. Pope  
F.V.V. Ribeiro C. Gough  
F.X. Silva W. Hillier  
(Skip) 29 (Skip) 12

Total 50 Total 40

### At Sookunpoo

At Sookunpoo Indian RC entertained Hong Kong Electric RC to a four rinks friendly lawn bowls match and won by six shots, the final result being 78-72.

A feature of the game was the defeat of two Indian rinks. The Minu brothers, A.K. and A.M. both lost their matches, the former to J.K. Sloan and the latter to G. Ryder.

Indian RC  
M. Wahab E. Poulson  
A.A. Rahman E. Padgett  
D.M.A. Razack W. Stonehouse  
A.M. Wahab V. Borch  
(Skip) 18 (Skip) 16

M.A. Wahab F.H. Fell  
E.R. Marker J.O. Stokes  
J. All J. Bottomley  
J. Hoosen J. Lunny  
(Skip) 23 (Skip) 17

S.S. Hussain J.F. Hedley  
I. Kitchell W.E. Macfarlane  
M.I. Razack R.C. Butler  
A.R. Minu J.K. Sloan  
(Skip) 17 (Skip) 27

S.O. Bux F.A. Golding  
O.R. Sadick P. E. Palmer  
M.B. Hossain G. McKay  
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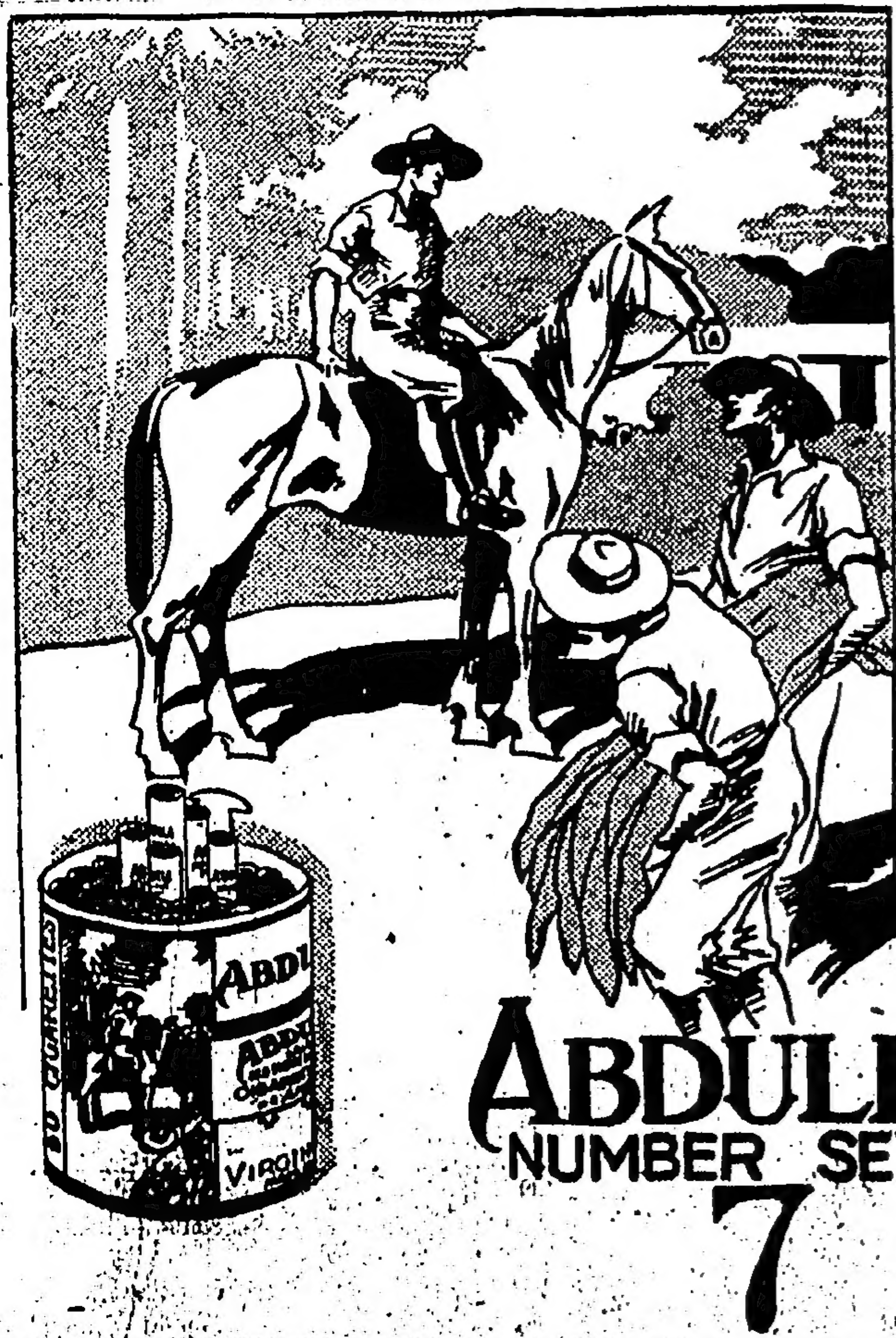
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